

Yolo County Health & Human Services Agency

Mental Health Director's Report

August 30, 2021 (6-8pm)

- a) **COVID19 update** - For more information please visit our Dashboard on our County Webpage, here is the [LINK](#).
- b) **DHCS funding opportunity** The Department of Health Care Service (DHCS) released a grant funding opportunity in late July for Behavioral Health Departments to expand or improve the County's mobile crisis and non-crisis response ([LINK](#)). Available funds are divided into two categories, 1) Direct Service Fund (25% of total allocation) which are pass through federal funds coming from Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) via the Coronavirus Response and Relief Appropriations Act (CRRSAA), and 2) Infrastructure Funds (75% of total allocation) are coming from the state Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP). Every County that applies and meets the criteria is eligible for a \$500,000 base allocation and each county may apply for up to \$1,000,000 per mobile crisis unit. Yolo County HHS intends apply for \$5,000,000. The application is due was due August 23rd and awards will be announced by September 15th, 2021. The proposal includes multiple updates to our existing mobile crisis technology, an additional crisis response team to focus on youth and the integration of our existing co-responders, the access/crisis line, and suicide prevention, into the upcoming Crisis Now Model which includes a call center and sobering/receiving center.
- c) **American Rescue Plan Requests-** The Board of Supervisors will be holding a Board workshop on September 7th to receive an update on proposals received to date for ARP funding and consider process for determining funding priorities, timelines, and next steps.
- d) **K-12 Services-** Intent to Award letters were issued for the K-12 School Partnerships (K12SP) project on Friday, August 20th. Notwithstanding a protest, the contractors that have been selected to provide services are:
- CommuniCare Health Care Centers: Woodland and Davis catchment areas
 - RISE, Inc.: Rural catchment area (Esparto/Winters)
 - Victor Community Support Services: West Sacramento catchment area

This project seeks to embed mental health practitioners at school sites to provide interventions through an "interconnected systems framework" that aligns with the Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) framework employed by the local school districts. The interventions will occur in progressive "tiers" that align with PBIS: Tier I (universal support; for example: outreach and education), Tier II (targeted support; for example: access and linkage, group services), and Tier III (intensive intervention; for example: on-site therapy, intensive care coordination).

HHS will be working to develop contracts with these providers in the coming weeks. We are hopeful that the services will be active on school sites in the near future.

- e) **Upcoming RFPs**-Please see linked page for information on upcoming RFPs. [LINK](#)
- f) **Pine Tree Gardens**- Health and Human Services, North Valley Behavioral Health, and Yolo County Housing met with the Save Pine Tree Gardens group on Wednesday August 25th to share updates about both houses. NVBH has been working closely with the State on getting the licenses approved and expects to have those in hand in the very near future after completing site visits and fire marshal inspections at both homes. NVBH, YCH, and Kathy Williams shared updates about plumbing work at both houses, updates to roofs, solar panels, window upgrades, painting, and bathroom renovations. NVBH shared that they utilized some of their funding to replace mattresses, a dishwasher, upgrade the refrigerators and freezers, get new linens, and that both houses only have 1 remaining staff position to fill in order to meet their full staffing levels for both homes. A member of the Save PTG group also shared updates about planned landscaping at the East House. HHSA shared that it will be getting performance measures and year end closeout reports in the near future from NVBH and that HHSA would be doing a presentation at the Board of Supervisors in the future with this information.
- g) **Crisis Now**- Since our last meeting we have secured additional funding from a variety of sources and are pursuing additional funding streams via our health systems and Cities. Woodland has asked Karen to present at an upcoming Council meeting. Karen will also be presenting to the Board of Supervisors in September.
- h) **FSP Transition**-All Older Adult FSP clients have now been transitioned to the new FSP providers, mainly Hope Cooperative. The remainder of the Adult FSP clients should be transitioned to either provider by the end of August 2021. Additionally, HHSA also has several internal Access clients that need to be transitioned to the new FSP providers, including the clients that we plan to refer to Telecare for the Mercy West Capital Housing project.
- i) **Project Roomkey/Homekey**-Yolo County continues to operate versions of Project Roomkey in Davis, Woodland and West Sacramento. With Woodland deciding to end their larger Roomkey program on June 30th, HHSA and Empower Yolo staff have continued to work to serve COVID+ or COVID exposed individuals experiencing homelessness in Woodland through relationships with local motels to ensure these individuals had a safe place to isolate/quarantine.

Davis' larger Roomkey program is set to end on August 31st and will transition to more of the motel currently operating in Woodland. CommuniCare and HHSA staff will continue to work post-August 31st on motel placement and supports for COVID+ or COVID exposed individuals experiencing homelessness. In addition to this, City of Davis, HHSA, CommuniCare, and HEART of Davis are working on interim housing options for a few programs in Davis that should be available on, or shortly after 9/1.

West Sacramento has partnered with HHSA to continue Roomkey through at least October in their jurisdiction and continues operating Homekey.

In total between Roomkey and Homekey, Yolo County had 146 individuals in motel rooms throughout the county on August 26th. We continue to experience a 4th surge in COVID cases and have seen the need for 19 COVID positive clients to be placed in Roomkey rooms countywide as a result in the past 2 months, most of the placements coming in the last 3 weeks.

j) **BH Audits Update-**

FY19/20 DMC ODS & SABG Audit: This audit had resulted in a CAP with numerous items. HHSa submitted a corrective action plan (CAP) and associated evidence to resolve the deficiencies. The CAP response was accepted and DHCS' final resolution is pending.

April 2020 MHP Network Adequacy Submission: Provider capacity for Youth Psychiatry was found as deficient. HHSa submitted supplemental documentation as evidence in April 2021 and DHCS determined that the MHP had come into compliance.

April 2021 MHP and DMC-ODS Network Adequacy Submissions: Documentation submitted; awaiting DHCS report.

April 2020 DMC-ODS Network Adequacy Submission: Provider capacity deficiencies found in the following program areas: Youth 0-17 Outpatient Drug Free, Intensive Outpatient Treatment, Residential, and Opioid Treatment Programs. HHSa submitted a CAP in December 2020, as well as a resolution letter in April 2021 detailing proposed steps to build a Youth SUD treatment continuum. The County has also requested DHCS guidance/technical assistance.

FY20/21 Triennial Audit of Specialty Mental Health Services: Audit completed May 2021; final report from DHCS pending.

FY20/21 DMC-ODS & SABG Audit: Documents submitted July 2021; audit scheduled for September 2021.

FY21/22 DMC-ODS External Quality Review: Documents submitted August 2021; review scheduled for September 2021.

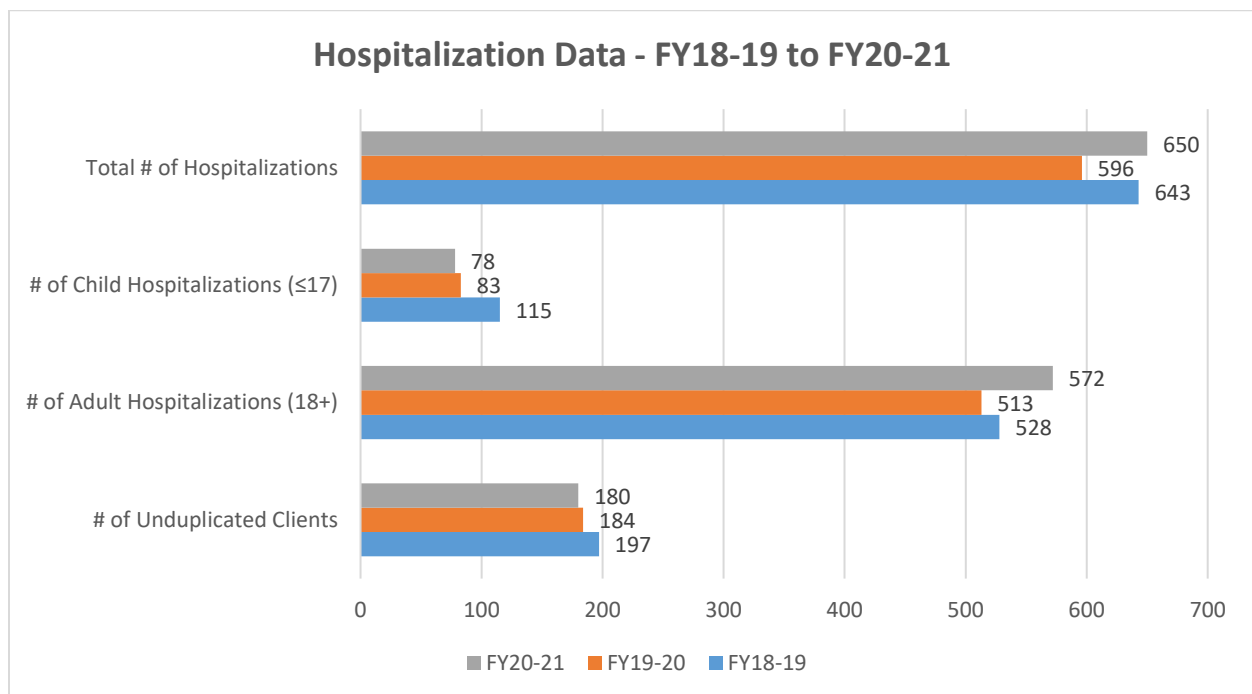
MHSA Audit-TBD

Community Corrections Partnership (AB109) – Over the past several months, CCP has been working to align our budget with the intent of AB109 and with the CCP and County Strategic Plans. As a result, the CCP moved to a percentage-based budgeting framework and voted to allocate 25% of each year's annual budget to treatment and 9% to innovation. At the most recent CCP meeting members and external partners had an opportunity to submit proposals for funding. Attached to the agenda is the full CCP packet with more detail on proposals (p 21-56).

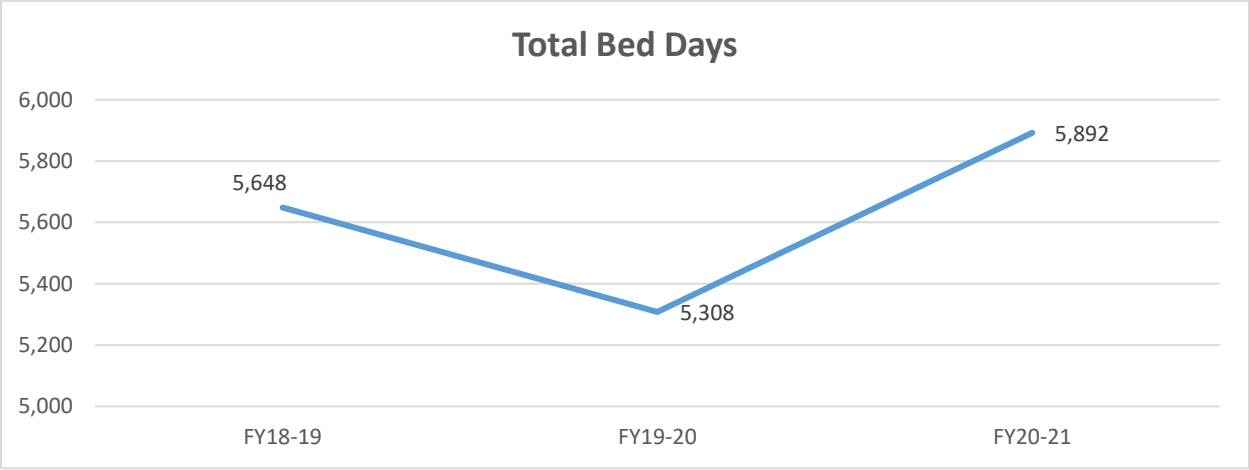
Below is a summary of the items that the CCP voted to fund:

Proposed Program	Proposing Agency	Annual Amount Approved	Treatment/Innovation	One time/ongoing
In Custody SUD tx	HHSA	\$250,000	Treatment	Ongoing
In Custody MAT	Sheriff	\$462,695	Treatment	Ongoing
In Custody Treatment Manager	Sheriff	\$99,972	Treatment	Ongoing
Discharge Planner	HHSA	\$100,000	Treatment	Ongoing
Vocational Services	Probation	\$40,000	Treatment	Ongoing
Crisis Now	HHSA	\$293,466	Innovation	Ongoing
MH Diversion	DA/PA	\$336,000	Innovation	Ongoing
Victim Advocate	DA	\$93,049	Innovation	Ongoing
Restorative Justice Project	DA	\$25,000	Innovation	Ongoing
Keep Peace	Woodland PD	\$200,000	Innovation	2 years

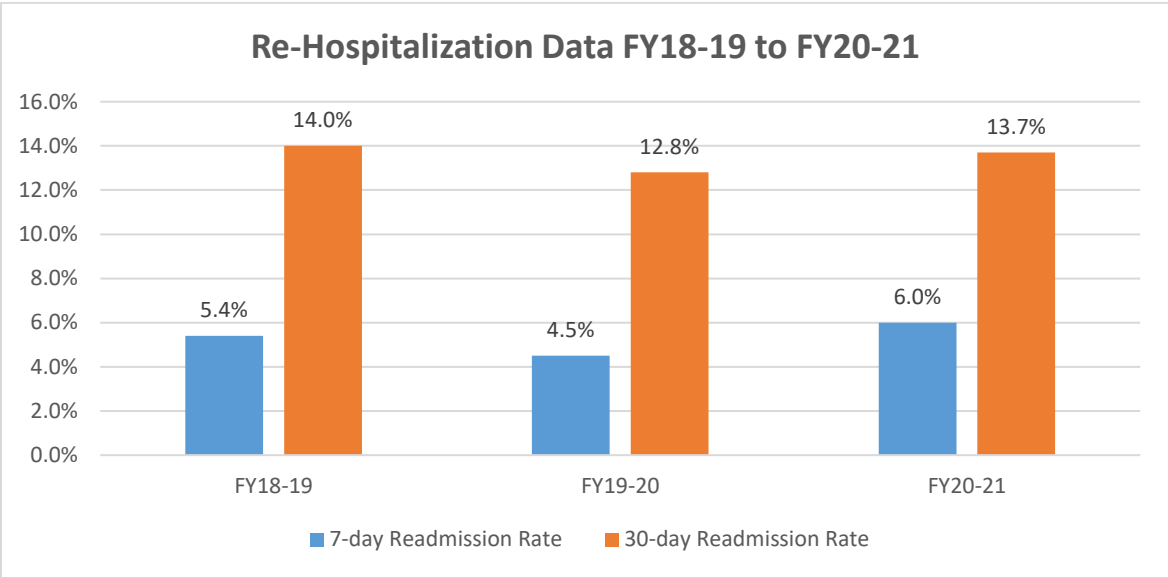
k) **Data**



- Reduction in child clients hospitalized (of 32%) and reduction in total number of unduplicated clients hospitalized (of 9%) over the three-year period.
- Increase in total number of hospitals stays from FY19-20 to FY20-21 of 9% (after a decrease of 7% in FY19-20 from FY18-19).
- Increase in adult clients hospitalized from FY19-20 to FY20-21 of 12% (after a decrease of 3% in FY19-20 from FY18-19).



- Increase in total number of bed days of 11% FY19-20 to FY20-21 (after a reduction of 6% in FY19-20 from FY18-19).
- Average length of hospital stay remained static at 9 days over all three years.



- Increase in 7- and 30-day rehospitalization rates of 33% and 7% respectively in FY20-21 from FY19-20 (after reductions of 17% in 7-day readmissions and 9% in 30-day readmissions in FY19-20 from FY18-19).