

California Behavioral Health Planning Council

Housing and Homelessness Committee Agenda

Thursday, October 18, 2018

Lake Natoma Inn

702 Gold Lake Drive, Folsom, CA 95630

Folsom Room

8:30am to 12:00pm

8:30am	Welcome and Introductions <i>Barbara Mitchell, Chairperson</i>	
8:35am	Approve June 2018 Meeting Minutes <i>Barbara Mitchell, Chairperson</i>	Tab 1
8:40am	Review and Discuss Housing and Homelessness Background Information <i>Eva Smith, CBHPC Staff</i>	Tab 2
9:05am	Discuss Adult Residential Facilities (ARF) Project <i>Jane Adcock, CBHPC Executive Officer</i>	Tab 3
9:25am	Review and Discuss Current Legislation Related to Housing and Homelessness <i>Eva Smith, Staff</i>	Tab 4
9:40am	Public Comment	
9:45am	Break	
10:00am	Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council (HCFC) Presentation <i>Ginny Puddefoot, HCFC Executive Officer</i>	Tab 5
11:15am	Discuss and Develop Work Plan Priorities <i>Barbara Mitchell, Chairperson</i>	Tab 6
11:45am	Evaluate Meeting and Develop Next Meeting Agenda <i>Barbara Mitchell, Chairperson</i>	
11:55am	Public Comment	
12:00pm	Adjourn	

The scheduled times on the agenda are estimates and subject to change.

California Behavioral Health Planning Council

Officers: Barbara Mitchell, Chairperson Deborah Starkey, Chair-Elect

Committee Members: Raja Mitry, Lorraine Flores, Gerald White, Celeste Hunter, Arden Tucker, Darlene Prettyman, Gail Nickerson, Patricia Bennet, Vera Calloway, Monica Wilson, Simon Vue, Steve Leoni

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California Behavioral Health Planning Council Housing and Homelessness Committee (HHC) Meeting

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Agenda Item: Approve June 2018 Meeting Minutes

Enclosures: Draft Minutes for June 2018 HHC Meeting

How This Agenda Item Relates to Council Mission

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The minutes are a means to document and archive the activities and/or discussions of the Housing and Homelessness Committee in an effort to demonstrate how the Council has applied its mission and vision.

Background/Information:

Housing and Homelessness Committee to review and approve draft meeting minutes for June 21, 2018.

Housing and Homelessness (HHC)

June 21, 2018 – Quarterly Meeting Minutes

Committee Members Present:

Raja Mitry	Gail Nickerson
Lorraine Flores	Patricia Bennett
Arden Tucker	Gerald White
Barbara Mitchell	Monica Wilson
Carmen Lee	Steve Leoni
Deborah Starkey	Vera Calloway
Darlene Prettyman	

Staff Present:

Jane Adcock, Eva Smith

Welcome and Introductions:

This was the first meeting for this committee. Members were welcomed and introductions were completed.

Nominate Chairperson and Chair-Elect:

Committee members unanimously nominated Barbara Mitchell to serve as Chairperson through December 2018 with Deborah Starkey as Chair-elect. In January 2019, Deborah Starkey will take over as Chairperson and Vera Calloway will become Chair-elect.

Discuss and Approve Committee Charter:

Barbara Mitchell suggested “regulatory matters” and Steve Leoni suggested “practices” be added in the sentence in the overview and purpose section: “This committee will advocate on legislation **practices** and **regulatory matters** related to the housing crisis in California and funding and programs to serve persons who have mental illness and are homeless.” Steve Leoni proposed “and humility” be added to the guiding principle, “cultural responsiveness **and humility**.”

Housing and Homelessness Background Information:

Eva Smith presented background information related to current state-level housing and homelessness projects including: Housing First Policy, Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council (HCFC), No Place Like Home (NPLH), and Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Housing Program. The committee engaged in a thorough discussion around these topics.

Committee members discussed NPLH including the program is currently in litigation in the courts and will be on the November ballot for the people of California to vote. Some barriers were mentioned such as the federal definition of chronic homelessness.

Barbara Mitchell proposed that the HHC committee take leadership in the State and form partnerships (to be determined with who and where). She suggested the committee share its charter with the chair of the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council with our desire to become a partner. In response to this recommendation, Jane Adcock shared that at the most recent Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council quarterly meeting there was a discussion (proposed by a formerly homeless Council member) to form a workgroup/subcommittee to address behavioral health. Jane Adcock provided public comment to offer partnership and shared about the Council's establishment of a Housing and Homelessness Committee.

Patricia Bennett advocated that the committee reach out to form partnerships beyond usual partners and connect with businesses - with consideration that businesses own a vast amount of resources and have evolved to become involved in social issues; they could potentially be a helpful partner.

Jane Adcock shared one of the first goals of the HCFC is to connect with state departments that are involved in policies, regulations, and funding programs related to housing to ensure that "Housing First Policy" will be adopted.

Barbara Mitchell educated committee members about the challenge of varying definitions of "success" when it comes to assessing outcomes of Housing First and supportive housing projects.

Jane Adcock reviewed the chart provided regarding the MHSA housing program. She cited the number of units that have been developed (built or rehabilitated) since its implementation in 2008 - 10,000 affordable housing units, 2,500 of those for persons with serious mental illness.

Legislation Related to Housing and Homelessness:

Eva Smith provided overview for pieces of legislation that have been put into state law (SB 2, SB 3) as of September 2017 and some that are currently being proposed (AB 2161, SB 918, AB 210, SB 1152). Committee members engaged in thorough discussion about these bills.

Adult Residential Facility (ARF) Project:

Jane Adcock provided overview to committee members about the status of this project, steps taken thus far (stakeholder meetings, development of ARF white paper, statewide conference call), and plans to move forward. Jane shared that this advocacy project will become a collaborated task for both Legislation Committee and Housing and Homelessness Committee because of its overlap in purpose. Jane shared that the next step planned for this project in order to implement recommendations to ensure that adult residential facilities can remain profitable and provide quality care is to arrange for a summit and to invite various experts in the field and seek authors to develop legislation.

Work Plan Development Discussion:

Time did not permit discussion for a work plan. This agenda item will carry over to the next quarterly meeting in October.

New Business:

Schedule conference call in August to further discuss legislative housing bills and to prepare October agenda. Eva Smith will email committee members links to Housing and Community Development (HCD) and a list of members for the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council to have for potential contacts for housing advocacy efforts.

Public Comment:

None.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:00pm

**California Behavioral Health Planning Council
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Agenda Item: Review and Discuss Housing and Homelessness Background Information

Enclosures: Homeless Mentally Ill Outreach and Treatment Program, Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP), California Emergency Solutions and Housing Program (CESH)

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Due to the Council's new committee structure/focus, it is important to support members in the new subject matter and inform of state-level projects and legislation that is current and on the horizon for housing and homelessness. Only when properly informed can the Council best evaluate the behavioral system and advocate for accountable services.

Background/Information:

- **Homeless Mentally Ill Outreach and Treatment Program:** California recognizes the growing need to allocate significant investments in mental health services and homelessness. Senate Bill (SB) 840 allows for a funding opportunity to the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to provide counties with one-time funding for local activities involving individuals with serious mental illness and who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. All counties are eligible to receive this funding, including counties with Whole Person Care pilots. This includes counties with populations with recent involvement in the criminal justice system or release from incarceration.

Enclosure: https://www.counties.org/sites/main/files/file-attachments/application_for_one_time_funding_homeless_mentally_ill_outreach_and_trea...pdf

- **Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP):** HEAP is a \$500 million block grant program designed to provide direct assistance to cities, counties and Continuums of Care (CoCs) to address immediate homelessness challenges throughout California. HEAP is authorized by SB 850, which was signed into law by Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr. on June 27, 2018.

Enclosure: https://www.bcsd.ca.gov/hcfc/documents/heap_nofa.pdf

- **California Emergency Solutions and Housing Program (CESH):** The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is awarding \$53 million in California Emergency Solutions and Housing Program (CESH Program). Program funding provides grants to administrative entities to assist persons who are experiencing or are at risk of homelessness.

Enclosure: http://www.hcd.ca.gov/grants-funding/active-funding/cesh/docs/NOFA_CESH.pdf

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Agenda Item: Discuss Adult Residential Facilities (ARFs) Project

Enclosures: Adult Residential Facilities (ARFs) Paper (conclusion and addendum portion)

<https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/MH/Documents/Advocacy%20Committee/March%201%202018%20ARF%20Draft%20Final.pdf>

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The ARF project advocates for more accessible and effective housing for individuals with serious mental illness who are not able to obtain sustainable community housing options that provide the appropriate level of care following stays in acute and in-patient treatment programs, hospitals, short-term residential or transitional residential treatment programs and/or correctional institutions.

Background/Information:

This issue paper highlights a significant public health issue: the lack of adult residential facilities as housing options for individuals with serious mental illness in California. Its primary purpose is to discuss barriers to, and the need for, increasing access to appropriately staffed and maintained Adult Residential Facilities (ARFs) for adults, including seniors, with mental illness. The paper is an effort to generate dialogue to identify possible solutions to those barriers.

This ARF project was initiated by the Advocacy Committee and with the Council's new committee structure/focus, it has been proposed that the new Legislative and Housing and Homelessness Committees work together and share this project – which will be definitively determined at the October 2018 meeting. This portion of the paper is provided so that committee members can focus on the solutions proposed and steps for navigating forward.

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Agenda Item: Review and Discuss Current Legislation Related to Housing and Homelessness

Enclosures: Legislation Descriptions and Status for AB 2161, SB 918, SB 1152

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Part of effectively evaluating the behavioral health system is analyzing legislation in current law and proposed and applying advocacy through the basis of the Council's mission, vision and guiding principles.

Background/Information:

AB 2161: Homeless Integrated Data Warehouse

Full Bill Text:

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2161&firstNav=tracking

SB 918: Homeless Youth Act of 2018

Full Bill Text:

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB918&firstNav=tracking

SB 1152: Hospital Patient Discharge Process: homeless patients

Full Bill Text:

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1152&firstNav=tracking

Legislation

Assembly Bill 2161 (Chiu) Housing: homeless integrated data warehouse: Existing law establishes various programs, including, among others, the Emergency Housing and Assistance Program, to provide assistance to homeless persons. Existing law also establishes the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council to, among other things, create a statewide data system or warehouse that collects local data through homeless management information systems, with the ultimate goal of matching data on homelessness programs to programs impacting homeless recipients of state programs, as specified.

This bill would direct the Department of Housing and Community Development to create a state homeless integrated data warehouse, in coordination with the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council, to develop a composite portrayal of the homeless population in the state and the services provided to this population or to those at risk of becoming homeless. The bill would require that the information compiled for the database include the data necessary to make certain findings, including, among other things, the number of individuals and families experiencing homelessness, their access to benefits, and the stated reasons for their homelessness. The bill would require the department to coordinate with other state agencies to draft and carry out a strategy to integrate information to provide longitudinal, cost-based studies with relevant data, as specified. The bill would require the database to comply with all relevant state and federal laws regarding privacy and personally identifying information and encourage local agencies that provide services to homeless persons and use homeless management information systems to collaborate with the department, as specified.

Vote: MAJORITY Appropriation: NO Fiscal Committee: YES Local Program: NO

(Senate-In Committee Process-Appropriations)

Senate Bill 918 (Wiener) Homeless Youth Act of 2018: Existing law establishes various programs, including, among others, the Emergency Housing and Assistance Program, homeless youth emergency service pilot projects, and Housing First and the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council, to provide assistance to homeless persons. Existing law establishes the council to oversee the implementation of the Housing First guidelines and regulations, and, among other things, identify resources, benefits, and services that can be accessed to prevent and end homelessness in California.

This bill would require the council to assume additional responsibilities, including setting specific, measurable goals aimed at preventing and ending homelessness among youth in the state and defining outcome measures and gathering data related to those goals. The bill would also require the council, in order to coordinate a spectrum of funding, policy, and practice efforts related to young people experiencing homelessness, to coordinate with certain stakeholders and, to the extent that funding is made available, provide technical assistance and program development support.

Vote: MAJORITY Appropriation: NO Fiscal Committee: YES Local Program: NO

(Governor-Enrolled)

Senate Bill 1152 (Hernandez) Hospital patient discharge process: homeless patients: (1) Existing law requires the State Department of Public Health to license and regulate general acute care hospitals, acute psychiatric hospitals, and special hospitals. Existing law requires these hospitals to comply with specific statutory provisions for standards of care and regulations promulgated by the department, and a violation of these provisions or regulations is a crime. Existing law requires each hospital to have a written discharge planning policy and process that requires that the appropriate arrangements for posthospital care are made prior to discharge for those patients likely to suffer adverse health consequences upon discharge if there is no adequate discharge planning.

This bill would require each hospital to include a written homeless patient discharge planning policy and process within the hospital discharge policy, as specified. The bill would require a hospital to document specified information before discharging a homeless patient. The bill would, commencing on July 1, 2019, require a hospital to develop a written plan for coordinating services and referrals for homeless patients with the county behavioral health agency, health care and social service agencies in the region, health care providers, and nonprofit social service providers, as available, to assist with ensuring appropriate homeless patient discharge. The bill would also, commencing on July 1, 2019, require a hospital to maintain a log of homeless patients discharged and the destinations to which they were released after discharge, as specified, if any. The bill would specify how its provisions are to be construed in relation to local ordinances, codes, regulations, or orders related to the homeless patient discharge processes, and would exempt state hospitals under the jurisdiction of the State Department of State Hospitals from its provisions. Because a violation of these requirements would be a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

(2) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: MAJORITY Appropriation: NO Fiscal Committee: YES Local Program: YES

(Governor-Enrolled)

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Agenda Item: Discuss and Develop Work Plan Priorities

Enclosures: 2018/2019 Work Plan Template

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The work plan is designed by committee members to provide an organized plan of action to accomplish priority goals. The plan includes objectives, target audience, activities, and timelines that is operative within the Council's statutes.

Background/Information:

The work plan guides the actions of the HHC committee throughout the year. Committee members will review and revise the work plan as they deem necessary.

California Behavioral Health Planning Council (CBHPC)

Housing and Homelessness Committee (HHC)
Work Plan 2018-2019

Goal #1

Objective:

Target Audience:

Activities:

Timeline:

Goal #2

Objective:

Target Audience:

Activities:

Timeline: