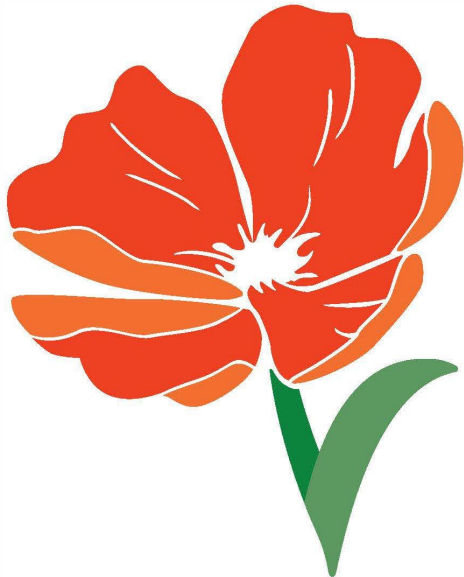


# Behavioral Health Transformation Educational Forum

December 17, 2024



**California  
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## **Vision**

- **A behavioral health system that makes it possible for individuals to lead full and purposeful lives.**

## **Mission**

- **To review, evaluate and advocate for an accessible and effective behavioral health system.**



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# CBHPC Role in BHSA

- ▶ **Section 5604.2 (a):** Requires Behavioral Health Advisory Boards/Commissions to provide performance outcome data to CBHPC.
- ▶ **Section 5610 (a) (1) & Section 5610 (b) (1):** The BHSA mandates the Department to consult with the Council on reporting requirements for the counties and the development of client-based information system.
- ▶ **Section 5664. (a):** County behavioral health systems shall provide reports and data to state bodies, including the Council.

# Housekeeping

- ▶ CBHPC will ask questions related to BHT implementation throughout the presentation
- ▶ We will spend no more than 10 minutes per topic
- ▶ Each commenter will
  - ▶ Raise their hand once a question is asked to be put into the “queue”
  - ▶ Each commenter will clearly state their name and how they identify
    - ▶ Examples: peer/consumer, family member, provider
  - ▶ Commenters are asked to limit responses to 2 minutes  
Max to allow as many people to speak as possible



# Voters Passed Proposition 1: Modernizes CA Behavioral Health System

## **SB 326 (Eggman)- MHSA Modernization**

- Renamed to Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA)

## **AB 531 (Irwin)- Behavioral Health Infrastructure Bond Act of 2023**

- Authorizes a General Obligation Bond

# Behavioral Health Services Act

- ▶ Changes to **Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA)**
- ▶ Significant **changes to local funding categories**
- ▶ **Adds requirements** for funds to be spent on **housing**
- ▶ Expands the Act to include the population served to those with debilitating **Substance Use Disorders (SUD)**
  - ▶ Authorizes BHSA funding for SUD treatment and services without co-occurring Serious Mental Illness (SMI)

# Behavioral Health Services Act

- ▶ Full-Service Partnerships are Outlined/Defined
- ▶ Changes to the Community Planning Process
  - ▶ Three-Year Integrated Plans
- ▶ Requires Counties to bill Medi-Cal for all allowable services
- ▶ Creates County “Outcomes, Accountability & Transparency Report”

# Funding Reprioritization

- ▶ 30% on Housing Interventions
  - ▶ **50% of this** to be spent on **“Chronically Homeless”**
- ▶ 35% on Full Service Partnerships
- ▶ 35% on Behavioral Health Services and Supports (BHSS)
- ▶ 4% Population-Based Prevention





# Housing Interventions

- ▶ Dedicated 30% (30% is approximately \$1 Billion)
  - ▶ 50% for individuals who are **chronically homeless** with a focus on those in encampments
  - ▶ No more than 25% may be used for capital



# Housing Interventions

- ▶ Funding ***can be used*** for rental subsidies, operating subsidies shared, and family housing, capital and non-federal share for transitional rent.
- ▶ Housing interventions are not limited to persons in Full Service Partnerships

Photos (top to bottom): Grand opening of Sun Rose Apartments, Salinas, CA; Sun Rose apartments common room; Sun Rose apartments kitchen; Grand opening of Sage Village, San Joaquin County, CA.



# Full Service Partnerships (FSPs)

Dedicated 35% in local BHSA funding

- ▶ **Expanded** to include treatment of **substance use disorders**
- ▶ Includes mental health, Assertive Treatment and Forensic Community Treatment, housing interventions, and supportive services
- ▶ Every individual receives a personal services coordinator (case manager)
  - ▶ Expands use of FSPs and personal services coordinators to Children & Youth



**Let's hear what YOU  
think about Full  
Service Partnerships  
(FSPs) !**



**Let's hear what YOU  
think about Substance  
Use Disorder (SUD)  
integration and  
implementation!**



# Early Intervention



- ▶ **Early Intervention (EI):** Includes programs designed to recognize the early signs of potentially severe and disabling mental illness and substance use disorders and prevent them from becoming severe and disabling.
- ▶ At least 15% of the new BHSS local funding bucket **MUST** be spent on Early Intervention
- ▶ BHSA requires DHCS to create a list of evidence-based practices every two years

**Let's hear what  
YOU think about  
Early Intervention  
Programs!**



# Population-Based Prevention



**Population-Based Prevention:** Includes activities designed to reduce the prevalence of mental health and substance use disorders and resulting conditions.



5% of the 20% of local funding designated for Population-Based Prevention



**Must** include evidence-based or community-defined practices



**Let's hear what  
YOU think about  
recovery  
services!**



# Workforce

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Expands use of Local BHS funds under the Workforce Education and Training (WET) component

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Gives 3% to Health and Human Services Agency for “statewide” BH initiatives

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Focused on diversifying the workforce



**Let's hear what  
YOU think  
about the  
Workforce!**



# MHSOAC to BHSOAC



- ▶ *Mental* Health Services Oversight & Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) to become *Behavioral* Health Services Oversight & Accountability Commission (BHSOAC)
- ▶ Change from Mental Health to Behavioral Health expands to include:
  - ▶ Substance Use Disorder (SUD)
  - ▶ 11 New Commissioners Added
  - ▶ Creation of Innovation Partnership Fund
  - ▶ New Consulting Roles with Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and Department of Public Health (DPH)

# 11 New Commissioners Under Prop 1

1. Current or former county behavioral health director
2. Person with SUD
3. Person with SUD
4. Peer youth
5. Family member of an adult or older adult with SUD
6. Family member of child or youth with SUD
7. Professional with expertise in housing and homelessness
8. Representative of an aging or disability organization
9. Person with knowledge and experience in community defined evidence practices and reducing behavioral health disparities
10. Representative of a children and youth organization
11. Veteran or a representative of a veterans' organization

# Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) Changes

- ▶ Behavioral Health Advisory Boards **must** include **both** individuals with **mental illness** and individuals with **substance use disorders**.
- ▶ **Must** Include at least one individual who is **25 years or younger** and is a consumer or family member.
- ▶ BHABs need to include at least **one employee of a local education agency**.
- ▶ BHABs (in county over 100,000) need to include a **veteran or veteran advocate**.



# Community Planning Process Replaced with “Broader Regional/County” Process

- ▶ **Requires “Integrated Plan for Behavioral Health Services and Outcomes” every Three Years**
  - ▶ Requires Counties to work with Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans and Local Health Jurisdictions
  - ▶ Plans approved by the County Board of Supervisors and local Behavioral Health Advisory Boards/Commissions

**Let's hear what YOU  
think about the  
Community  
Planning Process!**





# Behavioral Health Bond (AB 531)

This bill allocates \$6.38 billion general obligation bond:

- ▶ **Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)**
  - ▶ Up to \$4.4 billion for grants towards **behavioral health treatment settings**.
  - ▶ Of the total amount available, \$1.5 billion, with **\$30 million set aside for tribes**, will be awarded through competitive grants to counties, cities and tribal entities.



Photo: Ribbon cutting ceremony of Sage Village Apartments, in San Joaquin County.

# Behavioral Health Bond (AB 531)



- ▶ **Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD)**
  - ▶ Up to \$1.065 billion in **housing investments for veterans** experiencing or at risk of homelessness who have behavioral health conditions
  - ▶ Up to \$922 million in housing investments for **persons at risk of homelessness** who have behavioral health conditions

Photo: Sun Rose Apartments in Salinas, CA.



**Let Your Voice  
Be Heard!**

# State Resources

- [Behavioral Health Transformation: Implementation Timeline](#)
- [California Department of Public Health \(CDPH\) Prop 1 – Behavioral Health Transformation: Population Based Prevention \(YouTube\)](#)

# Partner Resources

- [Informational Webinar on Proposition 1 – Children Now, California Alliance, First 5, the Children's Partnership](#)
- [California's 59 Mental/Behavioral Health Boards & Commissions Meeting Schedules & Websites](#)



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attending today!**