



# **Behavioral Health Stakeholder Advisory Committee (BH-SAC) Orientation**

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# History and Purpose

- **Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) created in 2010 for 1115 waiver**
- **Director Kent created BH-SAC in response to growing importance of BH**
- **DHCS combined DUI Advisory Group, NTP Advisory Group, YAG and Performance Outcomes Systems Advisory Committee; other specific operational workgroups will continue**
- **Focused on system-wide, policy level**



# Objectives

- Offer input, knowledge and experience on how to improve BH components
- Provide feedback on specific strategies proposed by DHCS
- Suggest ideas for approaches to monitor utilization and performance
- Review performance standards and indicators
- Provide comment on waivers (1115/1915b)



# Guiding Principles

- **Membership reflects diversity of BH stakeholders**
- **Meetings will be a collegial and open environment**
- **Meetings will encourage direct communication and problem solving with DHCS**
- **Meet objectives of BH-SAC**
- **Regular, consistent attendance and active participation of members**



# Membership

- **Appointed by DHCS Director**
- **Recognized and diverse stakeholders**
- **Attend all regularly scheduled meetings in person (preferred) or by telephone**
- **Meet 4 times each year**
- **No substitutes or delegates or proxies**
- **Agendas developed by DHCS with input on topics from members**
- **Follow Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act**



# Process

- **Calendar of meetings set in October**
- **Meetings will alternate am/pm with SAC**
- **Feel free to attend SAC meetings**
- **Agenda topics circulated 6 weeks advance**
- **Agenda out week in advance; materials several days before meeting**
- **Public comment at each meeting**



# More Process

- **Summaries of each meeting; SAC summaries circulated FYI only**
  - **WiFi available; no copies of materials**
  - **Prefer attendance in person; interactive telephone for members only**
  - **Public listen only telephone line**
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- **Bobbie Wunsch and Laura Hogan, Pacific Health Consulting Group coordinate**



# Opportunity

- **Active participation and engagement with DHCS on significant issues**
- **Consider impact of issues on system statewide**
- **Attend regularly**
- **Connect with other BH-SAC members and DHCS staff**
- **Speak up**