

**California Behavioral Health Planning Council
Performance Outcomes Committee
Thursday, April 3, 2025**

Agenda Item: Subcommittee 1 (Identifying Successful Programs): Wellness and Recovery Centers

Enclosures: [Wellness and Recovery Centers: An Evolution of Essential Community Resources](#) (2011)

How This Agenda Item Relates to Council Mission

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

This agenda item is related to the evaluation and advocacy of the behavioral health system by identifying promising behavioral health programs on behalf of the Planning Council.

Background/Description:

At the October 2024 quarterly meeting, the Performance Outcomes Committee decided to form two subcommittees to facilitate work on specific workplan goals.

Subcommittee 1 is focused on Workplan Goal #4: Showcasing effective programs that feature the guiding principles of the committee and the Council that are successful in assisting consumers in their recovery. This subcommittee is led by Noel O'Neill and had its first meeting in December 2024. They discussed several potential types of programs to focus on for their first report. At the January 2025 Quarterly Meeting in San Diego, the subcommittee reported out to the full committee on their meeting. The subcommittee suggested that they focus on wellness and recovery centers as their first topic, and the full committee voted to approve this topic.

For this subcommittee meeting, members will discuss the different avenues the subcommittee might take to identify different models that presently exist and that offer consumers wellness center support. Subcommittee members will suggest at least three specific locations that members of the subcommittee might visit, observe and interview consumers, staff and administrators. There will be a brief discussion of what specific questions will be asked about the benefits and challenges found with each model and location. The final step will be to report back to the full committee for feedback and direction.