

**VENTURA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD
 BHAB PREVENTION COMMITTEE
 1911 WILLIAMS DRIVE, VCBH TRAINING ROOM, OXNARD, CA**

MINUTES □ July 10, 2017

<p><u>Present</u> Janis Gardner, Chair, BHAB Member Claudia Armann, BHAB Member Gane Brooking, BHAB Member Karyn Bates, BHAB Member Patricia Mowlavi, BHAB Member Sandra Wolfe, BHAB Member David Deutsch, NAMI Ezequiel A. Sanchez Gabe Teran, Ventura County Office of Education (VCOE) Inga McManus, TAY Tunnel Javier Bautista, TAY Tunnel Teri Ryan, TAY Tunnel Josh Tirado, VIPS June Ewart, Community Coalition United Katherine Kasmir, Straight Up Ventura County Lori Litel, United Parents Natalie Gabric, Aegis Treatment Centers Scott Walker, Crisis Intervention Team Theresa Plante, Casa Pacifica</p>	<p><u>VCBH Staff Present</u> Dan Hicks, Alcohol & Drug Programs, Prevention Services David Tovar, Alcohol & Drug Programs, Prevention Services Kathy Mulford, BH / DUI Admin Cari Kawell, Alcohol & Drug Programs, Prevention Services Esperanza Ortega, MHSA</p> <p>NEXT MEETING: Monday, August 14, 2017, 3:15 – 4:30 p.m.</p> <p>Ventura County Behavioral Health 1911 Williams Drive, Lake Tahoe Conference Room (2nd floor), Oxnard, CA</p>
<p>Note: The committee has not yet approved these minutes. There may be additions/deletions or corrections before the minutes are accepted in final form.</p>	

	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSIONS	RECOMMENDATIONS/ ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE
I.	Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 3:15 PM by Chairperson, Janis Gardner.		
II.	Approval of the Agenda (Action) Agenda for July 10, 2017 was approved as written.	Approved as written M/S/C	Motion: Sandra Wolfe 2nd: Lori Litel
III.	Approval of the Minutes (Action) Minutes for June 12, 2017 were approved.	Approved as written M/S/C	Motion: Claudia Armann 2nd: Sandra Wolfe
IV.	Welcome and Introductions The Chair welcomed all. Self-introductions were made around the table.		
V.	Chair Announcements None.		
VI.	Public Comments None.		
VII.	Staff/Provider Updates A.) Dan Hicks, Manager, ADP Prevention Services, mentioned that ADP is at the beginning of the new FY 2017/18 which also marks the beginning of the new 5 year Strategic Prevention Plan (SPP). The first initiative in the SPP is “Addressing Health Disparities” when it comes to substance use – not just substance use disorders, but, alcohol and drug problems as they exist in the community and as people are disproportionately affected. A significant amount of time has been spent in the City of Fillmore and Prevention Services will continue to do that in part because Fillmore has the highest level of poverty per family with children under the age of 18 in addition to other risk factors that have been identified. More information on these new initiatives can be found at: www.venturacountylimits.org .		

	<p>Prevention Services has been working with the DUI program to collect information from almost everybody who goes through the VCBH ADP/DUI program - over 25,000 records to date. The Place of Last Drink (POLD) survey is given to those who were arrested and convicted, then adjudicated, who then come into one of the DUI programs within Ventura County's 5 sites. Information is gathered about the circumstances and settings that led up to their DUI arrest. This is valuable data because it is a real sample from the local community who has actually gotten caught or who have been in a crash.</p> <p>Recently, VCBH has run new data and now has a top 20 list of locations to help with compliance so that these establishments play by the rules – ie: not serving intoxicated patrons and not serving under the legal drinking age. The Safe Bars Task Force is comprised of a cross section of people (including Law Enforcement) at the municipal level who are looking to see what's going on with places that generate a large number of drivers who may contribute to DUI arrest totals.</p> <p>Another initiative in the new SPP is "Impaired Driving." A growing percentage of impaired drivers going through the DUI program are polysubstance involved at the time of their arrest – typically that means alcohol in combination with cannabis or prescription drugs.</p> <p>VCBH ADP Prevention Services recently did a presentation at the request of LA County for the LA County Council's office who are coordinating a multiagency effort to replicate what Ventura County did with its Social Host Laws 10 years ago. A lot of the legal landscape is the same. They are looking at the problem of underage parties in private home settings especially in affluent neighborhoods.</p> <p>For a long time, it has been illegal to serve/provide alcohol to youth and underage drinking laws were not very enforceable. Many tragedies were traced back to home parties. Social Host Laws and Ordinances in each city in Ventura County were put in place by each municipality. If Law Enforcement (LE) is called to a party for any reason such as a noise complaint or an injury, if LE can tell that underage people have been drinking, then the person who hosted the party receives a citation. This fee-based deterrent does not require that the Social Host go to court, but, instead they must pay a fine which varies from city to city. These laws are in place to protect youth and the health and safety of the wider community.</p> <p>B.) Esperanza Ortega, Community Services Coordinator, MHSA gave multiple updates to the Group.</p> <p>MHSA is wrapping up FY 2016/17 at this time and focusing their FY 2017/18 efforts towards working together with their committees to evaluate their Providers.</p> <p>In addition, MHSA is working on data collection and assessing risk factors to make sure that their contract agencies are properly targeting the populations that most need their services.</p> <p>C.) David Deutsch, Director, NAMI Ventura announced that on Tuesday, July 11th at 5:30 pm at the Vineyard Community Church, 1320 Flynn Rd., Camarillo, CA the Camarillo Family Support Group will meet and then at 6:45 pm, the General Membership Meeting will begin. Mr. Deutsch will be doing the Feature Presentation called "Co-Occurring Recovery" where they will be sharing new information regarding people with co-occurring mental health challenges and substance abuse disorders.</p>		
VIII.	Prevention Committee Member and Participant Comments None.		
IX.	<p>Time Certain Presentation</p> <p>Dan Hicks, Manager, VCBH ADP Prevention Services, presented "<i>Legal Marijuana – What TAY Need to Know.</i>" Mr. Hicks distributed multiple publications that included: "<i>Marijuana in Ventura County – A Gateway for Discussion</i>"; the Marijuana White Paper called "<i>What the Science says about Adolescent Use of Cannabis</i>"; the "<i>Ventura County Marijuana Policy Snapshot – As of June 1, 2017</i>" map; the "<i>Prop 64 Quick Guide</i>"; and, the "<i>Marijuana Factcheck</i>" card.</p> <p>Mr. Hicks discussed multiple items that included the following:</p> <p>The legal landscape surrounding marijuana has changed. There is a lot of confusion among youth and adults about the distinction between what is legal and what is safe. Many think that because marijuana is legal, that it must be safe, and that we are free and clear to use marijuana in all its forms. What we know from other legal products is that the pattern of</p>		

	<p>availability affects the pattern of consumption (who, where and how) which affects the patterns of problems we see at the macro level.</p> <p>Over the last couple of years, VCBH ADP Prevention Services has put together information that helps people make good decisions regarding marijuana without being confused as to whether cannabis is good or bad. Cannabis products in highly concentrated forms are now more risky than ever before because they bring on super rapid effects of THC as well as being super profitable. As learned from alcohol and tobacco, when money is behind a legal product, what marketing can say and do to entice people to use is often shaped by the return on investment not on sound public health policy.</p> <p>On Tuesday, June 27, 2017, VCBH ADP Prevention Services hosted a webinar called “The Impact of Marijuana Legalization on the Health Care System” in the Lake Tahoe Conference Room at VCBH – 1911 Williams Dr., Ste. 210, Oxnard. The presenters were Dr. Jennie A. Buchanan and Dr. Genie E. Roosevelt from Denver Health Medical Center. They shared their experiences on the healthcare system impact of legalized marijuana in Colorado.</p> <p>There will likely be up to 3 cannabis dispensaries in Ojai. The City of Ojai is looking at reasonable restrictions to keep marijuana distribution safe and tightly regulated for medical use. If these places are granted a State and local license, they could also do delivery even outside of Ojai. The question of how much and how is medical marijuana going to be available is of great concern, based on the history of other legal drugs.</p> <p>Prevention Services would like to focus on young adults as being the highest risk population. There is every reason to believe that the growing marijuana industry that has surpassed \$5 billion in value, will soon do what they are allowed to do in the same way that tobacco did with its campaigns, which is to target and bombard the youngest legal age possible to gain market share.</p> <p>Questions can be directed to: David Tovar, ADP Prevention Services for more information about VCBH ADP Prevention Services media campaigns that are targeted to reach young people – david.tovar@ventura.org</p>		
X.	<p>New Business Janis Gardner, Chair, BHAB Prevention Committee Chair and Dan Hicks, Manager, VCBH ADP Prevention Services invited the attendees from Pacific Clinics TAY Tunnel to meet and develop TAY specific messaging for people who are using and have access to marijuana to reduce harm, prevent disease and promote mental and physical health.</p>		
XI.	<p>Old Business Janis Gardner, Chair, BHAB Prevention Committee Chair shared several updates from DRAFT 3 of the FY 16/17 BHAB Prevention Committee Annual Report.</p>		
XII.	<p>Future Meeting Discussion Janis Gardner, Chair, BHAB Prevention Committee Chair asked the group for suggestions for featured guests for the August 2017 BHAB Prevention Committee meeting Time Certain Presentation perhaps something from Mental Health that focuses on the new “normal” for differential diagnosis of acute marijuana toxicity from cannabis use versus a psychiatric break because of mental illness.</p> <p>The BHAB Prevention Committee is tasked with performing annual Provider Site Visits.</p>		
XIII.	<p>Adjourn Meeting was adjourned at 4:34 PM.</p>	Next Meeting: Aug 14, 2017	