



Meeting Minutes - Draft

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY Behavioral Health Board

Thursday, July 30, 2026

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Programs and Services Committee Meeting

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Agenda Items: Items may be taken out of order based on the business of the day and preference of the Committee

1. Roll Call and Introductions

Griffin called the meeting to order at 4 p.m.

Present

Roland Fernandez, Laura Griffin, and Jenelle Towle

Absent

Anya Gupta

2. Public comment on any item under the jurisdiction of the Committee and not on this agenda (speakers may be limited to two minutes).

One public comment was received on this item.

3.

Attachments: [BHB WIC_5604.2](#)

There were no requests for public comment on this item.

Committee members discussed the purpose of the newly formed Programs and Services Committee, noting the need to integrate past work from the former Mental Health Commission (MHC) and Alcohol and Other Drugs Advisory Board (AODAB), as well as to identify priority areas to carry forward to ensure no work was lost during the consolidation.

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Attachments: [AODAB 2023 Goals and Objectives - Updated 12.04.2023](#)
[CC Mental Health Commission Responsibilities](#)
[Finance Goals_Mission Statement 24-25_DRAFT](#)

[Att C MHC Quality of Care Committee Projects as of January 2024](#)
[3.11.24](#)

One public comment was received on this item.

Members reviewed key areas of work previously carried out by the former advisory bodies. They noted that the former AODAB conducted site visits to contracted programs, reviewed data and outcomes, supported school-based prevention efforts with counselors in high schools, and engaged in homeless outreach, including trail-walking teams connecting individuals to crisis services.

Members also discussed the three formal committees of the former Mental Health Commission, including the Quality of Care Committee, which performed program evaluations, site visits, PES and jail tours, and reviewed outcomes and funding allocations; the Justice Systems Committee, which monitored treatment and conditions in justice-related facilities; and the Finance Committee, which reviewed contracts and expenditures to ensure alignment with program goals. They also referenced earlier K-12 mental health initiatives, such as the WISP program and school-based stigma-reduction efforts. Members emphasized the importance of continuing core functions of the former bodies, particularly rigorous program evaluation, outcome-driven review, and site visits, as well as identifying gaps in services.

5. Preliminary Scope of the New Committee

There were no requests for public comment on this item.

Members identified several initial priority areas for the Programs and Services Committee, including evaluating program outcomes, conducting site visits, and reviewing key services such as A3 mobile crisis, CORE responsiveness, and warm-handoff procedures. They also highlighted the importance of stigma reduction and equitable access to services, with attention to the needs of children and adolescents, adults, and older adults. Members discussed exploring specialized sub-groups within the committee, such as Care Court review or a child and adolescent mental health liaison, and emphasized the importance of active engagement and hands-on community involvement.

6. Future Agenda Items and Meeting Priorities

There were no requests for public comment on this item.

The committee identified several future agenda needs, including presenting preliminary scope and priorities to the full Behavioral Health Board, scheduling site visits to programs beginning with Support for Recovery, establishing consistent meeting dates and times to improve attendance, and working with leadership to determine membership requirements and Brown Act compliance. Members also suggested requesting presentations on restorative justice programs in Antioch schools and receiving updates from the Contra Costa Office of Education on K-12 mental health services.

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 5 p.m.

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