

# KINGS COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD



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## MEETING MINUTES

October 23, 2023

Kings County Behavioral Health  
Zoom and In-Person Meeting

### **Call to Order & Welcome**

#### **Board Members Present:**

Debra Allen, Michelle Allen, Ken Baird, Stephanie Huddleston, Joe Neves, Wendy Osikafo, Codi Pennington

#### **Members Absent:** Gloria Rede

**Others Present:** Christi Lupkes, Cindy Kliever, Sarah Harp, Chris Coffey, Amanda Verhaege, Ryan Brunton, Lisa Lewis, Hilda Garcia, Grant Zweifel, Anthony Moreno, Kelly Maestas, Jessika Schneider, Alicia Austin-Townsend, Danielle McFadden, Lynda Kaufman, Samantha Stack, Tony Afonso

#### **Review & Modification to Agenda**

None.

#### **Opportunity for Public Comment**

None.

#### **Consent Calendar**

##### **2023-10-001 Approval of Minutes: September 25, 2023 - Behavioral Health Advisory Board Meeting**

Ken Baird made a motion to approve the consent calendar and Debra Allen seconded. Stephanie abstained. (Ayes: DA/MA/KB/JN/WO/CP)

#### **Action Items**

None.

#### **Informational Agenda Items**

##### **Patient's Rights Advocates Presentation**

Hilda Garcia, Behavioral Health, presented on the Patient's Rights Advocates role, including the grievance process, site visits and the AB 2275 process.

#### **Staff Report**

Dr. Lisa Lewis, Director of Behavioral Health

- A team from Behavioral Health attended the Compliance/Privacy Training in San Francisco.
- There is an open recruitment for a new Deputy Director.
- New Quality Assurance Program Manager, Grant Zweifel, is attending today.

- The Clinical Program Manager has taken another position where she will be working remotely.

Christi Lupkes, Deputy Director

- Introduced Grant Zwiefel.
- Have hired Cory Cruz as the new Program Manager over the psychiatric suite.
- Discussed SB 326, on Mental Health Services Act reform and AB531 on housing.

#### **Advisory Board Member Comments**

- Codi Pennington
  - Appointed Debra, Michelle, and Joe as the nomination committee for appointment of new officers for 2024/2025 term.
- Ken Baird
  - Discussed having Behavioral Health and Patient's Rights Advocate attend Family Support semi-annually.

#### **Oak Wellness Center Update**

Debra Allen will ask Gracie from the Oak Wellness Center to come give an update.

#### **Future Agenda Items & Next Meeting**

- Minutes from October 23, 2023, Advisory Board Meeting
- Next Special Meeting Date: December 4, 2023

Adjourned @ 1:00 p.m.