## Alameda County Health Care for the Homeless

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Alameda County Health Care for the Homeless
Commission Meeting
Friday, January 20, 2023
9:00am - 11:00am
Via Zoom Conference Call
MEETING MINUTES

#### **ACHCH Commissioners Present:**

Laura Guzman
Gloria Crowell
Lois Bailey-Lindsey
Michelle Schneidermann, MD
Lynnette Lee
Greg Kats
Josh Thurman
Sabrina Fuentes
Sam Weeks, DDS
Julie Lo
Melissa Hellums

#### **ACHCH Commissioners Absent:**

Gerard Jenkins, MD Shannon Smith-Bernardin, RN, PhD

#### **County Staff Present:**

Lucy Kasdin, ACHCH
David Modersbach, ACHCH
Luella Penserga, ACHCH
Aislinn Bird, MD, ACHCH
Casey Zirbel, ACHCH
Kerry Abbott, OHCC
Kathleen Clanon, MD

#### **Public Present:**

Heather McDonald-Fine, Alameda Health System Rachel Metz, Consultant Kerry Landry, Consultant Katie Barnett, Everyone Home

Item	Discussion/Recommendations
A. CALL TO ORDER:  1. Welcome & Roll Call  • Welcome New Commissioners Melissa Hellums & Julie Lo  2. Adopt agenda	Laura Guzmán, JD, Commission Chair opened the meeting and welcomed new members Melissa Hellums and Julie Lo. Commissioner Guzman stated that she would need to leave at 10.00. Commissioner Crowell agreed to chair.  Commission approve agenda  Motion to Approve: Commissioner Fuentes made a motion to approve the agenda; Commissioner Bailey-Lindsey seconded.  Motion Passed: Meeting agenda adopted by Commission.
B. PUBLIC COMMENT Persons wishing to address items on or off agenda	No public comment.
C. CLOSED SESSION	No closed session.



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D. CONSENT AGENDA	<ol> <li>Approval of Commission Minutes of December 16, 2022</li> <li>COVID-19 state of emergency: continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing.</li> <li>Motion to Approve: Commissioner Bailey-Lindsey made a</li> </ol>
	motion to approve the Consent Agenda; Commissioner Fuentes seconded.  Motion Passed: Meeting agenda adopted by Commission.
E. GUEST PRESENTATION	Joon Oh, Deputy County Counsel, Office of the County Counsel, Alameda County gave the presentation, "California's Sunshine Law: The Ralph M. Brown Act."
	The group discussed the COVID-19 State of Emergency which sunsets at end of 2023 and prepartions to meet in person, as well as challenges about physicial space limitations at County buildings and social distancing requirements.
F. PRESENTATION & GROUP DISCUSSION	Lucy Kasdin, LCSW, ACHCH Director gave the presentation on Street Health service model sustainability and CalAIM. Rachel Metz and Kerry Landry, consultants are working with ACHCH on this and were in attendance.
	Commissioner Lo asked about reimbursement and the 20 percent uninsured. Rachel Metz responded that there's always a certain percentage who aren't enrolled, and there is more that can be done to help. Most people should be enrolled in Medi-Cal managed care or Fee-For-Services (FFS) Medi-Cal. Hospital presumptive eligibility Medi-Cal is also available (short-term Medi-Cal) until someone is enrolled.
	Lucy added that recuperative care is a new Medi-Cal benefit and not everyone is getting on Medi-Cal
	Commissioner Lo asked about prioritization: person have a behavioral health crisis at a bus stop vs groups at encampments - are these 2 different types of people. Lucy responded that those with behavioral health crisis are often single individuals who are wandering in the street and are not getting into Alameda County Behavioral Health services. ACHCH is working with the Alameda Alliance and

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	ACBH to build capacity under CalAIM to provide behavioral health services in the field for more single individuals.
	The group discussed the distinction between the service model to bring people to brick and mortar clinics, vs. providing care directly in the streets. Lucy and Rachel responded that expanding either service model depends on putting contracts and billing in place. ACHCH has met with the health plans and is holding planning meetings with LifeLong, Roots, Tiburcio Vasquez, BACH.  Commissioner Schneidermann shared resources:  1. A Game Changer for Street Medicine: Key Takeaways from New Medi-Cal Guidelines (chcf.org)  2. A Game Changer for Street Medicine: Key Takeaways from New Medi-Cal Guidelines (chcf.org)  3. A Game Changer for Street Medicine: Key Takeaways from New Medi-Cal Guidelines (chcf.org)  4. Street Medicine Oakland: Team-based Homeless Health Care - YouTube
G. ACHCH DIRECTOR'S REPORT	Lucy Kasdin, ACHCH Director presented the Director's report, including storm response, pressure on staff and discussions with OHCC about long term planning and building capacity since weather-related emergencies will continue.
	Commissioner Lee asked if there is a volunteer structure to get supplies out, and can we build a structure even if we start small? David Modersbach responded that there are organizations but not a structure yet especially to respond to special populations. The existing structure is more geographic, i.e., county and city jursdictions.
	Commissioner Crowell asked if there are only 6 warming centers in the County? Lucy Kasdin and David Modersbach confirmed there are 6 warming centers. The centers are traditionally set up by cities, or the County in the case of unincorporated areas.  Lucy explained that the response in San Leandro is led by the city, and if additional support is needed then the city

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	requests resources from the County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) which is a structure with County agencies that gets activated in an emergency. Social Services Agency (SSA) leads the care and shelter response, so SSA set up the two County supported warming centers. Commissioner Lo commented that the storms, extreme heat and fires will continue, and asked if ACHCH can estimate cost of the storm response to the program.
	Resources shared: <a href="https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2022-12-27/as-overdose-deaths-keep-rising-bold-efforts-to-reverse-the-trend-emerge">https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2022-12-27/as-overdose-deaths-keep-rising-bold-efforts-to-reverse-the-trend-emerge</a>
H. ACHCH Health Center  1. ACHCH Health Center Report  2. Alameda Health System Subrecipient Report	No verbal reports were given due to time limitations after extended discussions about CalAIM and emergency response efforts.
I. ACTION AGENDA	1. Add Roomkey Permanent Supportive Housing sites to ACHCH's Scope of Project – to commit to provide services at the County-owned sites specifically focused on MAT and access to recovery services. David Modersbach presented the request.
	Commissioners requested that the sites be referred to as Homekey (not Roomkey since the program ended). Commissioner Schneidermann requested to add an item to the February meeting agenda -a review of the scope of Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH).
	Motion to Approve: Commissioner Kats made the motion; Commissioner Schneidermann seconded. Motion Passed: Motion to add Homekey PSH to ACHCH Scope of Project passed.
	2. Request to Extend La Clinica Dental Contract for 3 months to allow LC to complete treatment plans for remaining patients who are currently receiving treatment. Lucy Kasdin presented the request.
	Motion to Approve: Commissioner Lee made the motion to approve; Commissioner Kats seconded.  Motion Passed: Motion passed by the Commission to



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	approve the 3 month extension of the La Clinica dental contract.
J. REGULAR AGENDA  1. Consumer/Community Advisory Board (CCAB) – January 13, 2023  2. Budget & Finance Committee – January 6, 2023  3. Clinical Quality Committee – no report 4. Executive Committee – January 9, 2023	No verbal reports were given due to time limitations after extended discussions about CalAIM and emergency response efforts.
K. OTHER ITEMS	<ol> <li>Announcements</li> <li>Next Meetings:         <ul> <li>Budget &amp; Finance Committee: April 7<sup>th</sup>; 9:30am-11:00am</li> <li>Clinical Quality Committee: January 30<sup>th</sup>; 9:30am-10:30am</li> <li>Executive Committee: February 6<sup>th</sup>; 12:00pm-1:00pm</li> <li>CCAB: February 10<sup>th</sup>; 12:00pm-1:30pm</li> </ul> </li> <li>Commission: February 17<sup>th</sup>; 9:00am-11:00am</li> </ol>
L. ADJOURNMENT	Meeting adjourned at 11:00am  Verified by Lois Bailey Lindsey, Secretary  Lois Bailey Lindsey  Date:

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