# Alameda County Health Care for the Homeless Commission Meeting Friday January 19, 2019 10:00am -12 noon

## FINAL MINUTES

**HCH Commissioners Present** 

boona Cheema (chair)
Lois Bailey Lindsey
Lynette Lee
Michelle Schneidermann, MD
Gloria Crowell
Laura Guzman
Fr. Rigo Caloca-Rivas

Absent: Claudia Young Samuel Weeks DDS County Staff/Partners Present:
Lucy Kasdin LCSW, HCH Interim Director
Jeffrey Seal MD, Medical Director
Heather MacDonald Fine AHS
David Modersbach HCH
Theresa Ramirez HCH
Luella Penserga, Consultant

item	Discussion/ Recommendations	Action	
A. CALL TO ORDER  1. Welcome & Introductions 2. Adopt agenda — Agenda adoped by Commission.  Adopt agenda is approved.  Meeting Chaired by Chair boona cheema. Convened 9:05am  Adopt agenda adoped by Commission.		Motion: L.B.Lindsey; Second: R.Caloca-Rivas Yea: unanimous	
B. CLOSED SESSION	No Closed Session.		
C. PUBLIC COMMENT** Persons wishing to address items on or off agenda	No Members of public present to speak		
D. CONSENT AGENDA  • Review and Approve Minutes of 12/21/2018 Joint HCH Commission-HCH CCAB meeting • Action Item: Approve ACHCH Health Center Sites, Hours of Operations and Services as carried out through Contracts and	<ul> <li>Review and Approve Minutes of 12/21/2018 HCH Commission Meeting. Minutes approved by consensus of HCH Commissioners.</li> <li>Action Item: Approve ACHCH Health Center Sites, Hours of Operations and Services as carried out through Contracts and Subrecipient Agreement. Discussion and questions:         <ul> <li>Primary Health or Behavioral Health; how are after-hours psychosocial services available to the population? L.Kasdin: Behavioral health services are provided through MHSA funding, and have two teams but are likely to expand in the future to partner with police departments. Contractors have expressed challenges in pay-rates to keep behavioral health staff; the expansion requires up to 70 FTE.</li> <li>There was a discussion around other services available locally and</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Motion: L.B.Lindsey; second, G.Crowell Yea: unanimous	

Subrecipient	other county best practices.				
Agreement	Peer Respite in Hayward: Sally Zinman Respite Center for				
	mental health patients / Pill Hill center in Oakland.				
	<ul> <li>Required Services: definition of services and if clinics are</li> </ul>				
	providing services services embedded into services; ACHCH				
	Staff provide case management when patients receive referral				
	to dental or other services.				
	Action Item: Consensus of Commission is that HCH staff create a				
	document that is more detailed to provide overview of services				
	provided by each organization, and highlight organizations that are				
	exceeding expectations and could improve. Should be reviewed by				
	Clinical/Quality Committee.				
	Other Clarifications:				
	<ul> <li>Clarification on Transportation: Lyft Rides, bus rides and rides from staff.</li> </ul>	•			
	<ul><li>Evening hours: Roots and Tri-City provides evening hours. Do we</li></ul>				
	feel that these hours are accurate? Longer hours are not				
	required, but access to care after-hours is important.				
	How can homeless population access care? Various clinics have drop-in				
	access that remove barriers to population.				
	Who is serving Pleasanton/Livermore? Axis (no HCH contract) and Tri-				
	City Street Medicine (HCH contract) are organizations that are				
	providing services. Question of HCH geographical coverage to be				
	discussed by Clinical/Quality Committee?				
	Warming Center-based referrals and care – There are generally no				
	health care/service providers embedded, but outreach teams support	Motion: L.Guzman;			
	warming centers and there was a discussion around expanded list of	second: L.B.			
	warming centers and clinics.	Lindsey			
	Motion to Approve: all in favor.	Yea:			
	Wotion to Approve, an in lavor.	unanimous			
E. HCH DIRECTOR	ACHCH Interim Director Lucy Kasdin provided HCH Program Update				
REPORT	ACHCH Strategic Plan: presented to staff during staff meeting, and				
	currently working on implementation plan.				
	Personnel: new social worker Andrea Zeppa, working with HCH				
	StreetHealth Team to provide intensive case management. We plan				
	hire Behavioral Health Clinical Supervisor and Psychiatric NP. Holding				
	interviews with new outreach worker position to increase capacity to				
	serve more patients in our office. There was a discussion around HR				
	hiring practices.				
	Quality: Dental Assessment - working with Dr. Amanzadeh to conduct				
	4-month needs assessment, and we are currently working on the				
	development of steering committee, assessing dental needs of	11			
	homeless population and determine design of our contracts.				
I	<ul> <li>Question: Connection between Steering Committee and</li> </ul>				

- ACHCH Commission Committees: Steering committee is more dental focused and community health providers, Sam Weeks is being asked to serve committee and reportback to CCAB/Commission.
- Commission Suggestion: Dental Health committee from the Public Health Commission - potentially follow up and expand on currently formed commission, committee consists of authors from sugary beverage tax.
- OSV: 6 out of 8 conditions have been lifted.
- Contracts:
- RFP for Street Medicine in process. Current plan is for ACHCH to RFP this spring for three StMedicine providers @ \$350K each, and carry out an internal HCH/TRUST-based StMed team as well.
  - Question: how can these teams work with Health Home and potentially expand team effectiveness and collaboration.
  - Question: How many awards? 3 teams, currently have two;
     Roots and Tri-City.
- ACHCH is working to finalize AHS contract to expand oversite and monitoring; contract will be presented to the commission next month for approval. Discussion: Develop strategies to form linkage between AHS and ACHCH: HRSA Auditors discussed that commission will be involved in the development and recruitment of position for position designed to coordinate with ACHCH and services.
- AHS Governance Update: Heather MacDonald-Fine provided update on AHS governance action: Have initiated first working group meeting, outreaching current patient advisory groups, Ambulatory Operations Council to identify possible AHS Co-Applicant Board members, both patients and non-patients.

G. HCH
Commission
Orientation:
ACHCH 2019
Grant Year
Timeline and
Health Center
CY2019 Budget
Review

HCH Commission Orientation: ACHCH 2019 Grant Year Timeline and Health Center CY2019 Budget Review
See PPT presented by David Modersbach HCH Grants Mgr at:
<a href="https://www.achch.org/uploads/7/2/5/4/72547769/hch\_commission\_fina\_nce\_budget\_orientation\_1-19-19.pdf">https://www.achch.org/uploads/7/2/5/4/72547769/hch\_commission\_fina\_nce\_budget\_orientation\_1-19-19.pdf</a>

#### Discussion:

- How does HCH fit into <u>Vision 2026</u> and <u>Homeless Council's</u> Homelessness Action Plan 2018-2021?
- What will be the scope of HCH and role of HCSA in the wind-down of AC3, which is already pretty silo'ed from the HCH program – do we understand their strategy? How can HCH prepare to possibly take over some of that work. This is addressed in our Strategic Plan but needs coordination and effort.

### **HCH Grant / County Budget**

- o MHSA is a funding stream we can expect on an annual basis.
- o Total budget: \$7,279,834 if we hire all positions then we will be in the red by (\$270,500).
  - Question: What are the easiest way to spend money on? Contracts provide ability to spend funds and extend terms to
    expand services.
  - Question: Personnell: What is the timeline to hire program director? - Realistically 6-mo; HR process discussed.
     Commission expressed concerns about waiting 6-mo to hire permanent position.
  - Action Item: Commission to prepare letter for HR position to create sense of urgency to hire as soon as possible. — There was a discussion around the consequences position vacancies have on HRSA Funding and Compliance.
- HCH Contracts and Street Team Overview
  - Roots, Tri-City, and EBCRP contracts soon to end.
  - Street Teams are going to cost approximately \$1,050,000 (\$210,000 deficit).
  - Questions: How much money does the program receive from medi-cal reimbursement? - none; program does not provide medi-cal reimburseable services.
  - Questions: how can that money be returned to the program from the contractors that do provide services to ACHCH patients?

## H. REGULAR AGENDA

- Consumer/Communit y Input – Report from HCH Consumer/Communit y Advisory Board
- Executive Committee report
- Action Item Election of Exec Committee Chairs
- Street Health Committee
- Finance Committee
- Clinical Committee
- ACHCH Strategic Plan 2019-2021

Consumer/Community Input – Report from HCH CCAB: Due to illness Commissioner Sam Weeks was absent, and David gave a brief report of action taken by HCH CCAB – planning for 2019, patient experience, NHCH Conference.

**Executive Committee** – Meeting every month the week before the HCH Commission meeting.

**Action Item** Election of Exec Committee Chairs

Motion to Approve Chair (boona cheema) and Vice-Chair (L.Lee); move to approve current structure to be left in place through December 31, 2019. Passed unanimously

It was clarified that L.Bailey Lindsey is a member of the Executive Committee but not Secretary. After discussion it was decided that the three members boona, Lynette and Lois would share responsibilities of (bylaws, minutes signing, and board development) jointly.

Candidates for HCH Commission: Commissioners will review CVs and applications for Ana and Shannon. Interviews will be arranged before next meeting, and nominations will be presented then. There is at

Motion:G.Cro well; second: L.Guzman Yea: unanimous

	least one HCH CCAB member who will apply to be a commissioner as well.	
	Street Health Committee: Is in the process of setting up meetings with Board of Supervisors (Wilma Chan and Keith Carson).	
8	Finance Committee: Met Jan 11, with HCH staff and HCSA finance staff, good meeting. The committee will meet quarterly, 1st Friday of each quarter. The Committee will review finance reports, review policies, review contracts, provide input to Commission and provide input to budget process. The committee want soknow more about contracts, organizational overview, help w/o hindering and how to bes provide recommendations.	
	Clinical/Quality Committee: No meeting this month	
	HCH Strategic Plan 2019-2022 available here.	
	Presentation by HCH Interim Director Lucy Kasdin, and subsequent discussion of HCH Commissioners around HCH funding, strategic priorities, county contributions, advocacy efforts, etc., with possibility raised of possibly forming a Strategic Planning committee/working group and continued discussion around advocacy of HCH Commission, which has authority but needs to develop an advocacy voice, and needs to develop its roles (Compliance, Needs Assessment, Community Awareness, Leadership/Advocacy.	
<ol> <li>OTHER ITEMS</li> <li>2019 NHCHC Conference DC</li> <li>Items for upcoming agendas:</li> </ol>	The 2019 National Health Care for the Homeless Council Conference will be held on May 22-25 in Washington DC. More info here:  https://www.nhchc.org/hch2019/  The HCH Program has funds available to send two Commissioners to the conference. Commissioners discussed who may be interested in attending, at this point: M. Schneidermann, L. Guzman, L.Bailey Lindsey. A decision must be made at next HCH Commission meeting as to which Commissioners can attend.  Next HCH Commission Meeting  Friday February 15,  9am -11am  1000 San Leandro #325, San Leandro	
H. ADJOURNMENT	MINUTES APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF HCH COMMISSION 2/15/2019 Verified by Lois Bailey Lindsey, Secretary HCH Executive Committee  Aug Saules Server Date: 2/15/2019	11:00 AM