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MEETING OF THE MENTAL HEALTH BOARD AGENDA

Wednesday, October 15, 2014
City Hall
One Carlton B. Goodlett Place
2nd Floor, Room 278
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Call to Order

Roll Call

Agenda Changes

Item 1.0 Directors Report

For discussion.

1.1 Discussion regarding Community Behavioral Health Services Department Report, a report on the activities and operations of Community Behavioral Health Services, including budget, planning, policy, and programs and services.

1.2 Public Comment

Item 2.0 Mental Health Service Act Updates and Public Hearings

For discussion.

The passage of Proposition 63 (now known as the [Mental Health Services Act](#) or MHSA) in November 2004, provides increased annual funding to support county mental health programs. The Act addresses a broad continuum of prevention, early intervention and service needs and the necessary infrastructure, technology and training elements that will effectively support this system. This Act imposes a 1% income tax on personal income in excess of \$1 million. One of the requirements of the Act is that the county must provide annual updates as well as hearings for changes in the way the county implements the funding.

2.1 Mental Health Services Act Updates: Public Hearing

2.2 Public Comment

Item 3.0 Action Items

For discussion and action.

3.1 Public comment

3.2 **Proposed Resolution:** Be it resolved that the minutes for the Mental Health Board meeting of September 17, 2014 be approved as submitted.

3.3 **Proposed Resolution:** Be it resolved that the Mental Health Board urges Community Behavioral Health Services to increase the Mobile Crisis Treatment Team to 24/7.

Item 4.0 Presentation: Overview of the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act (LPS Law) for Involuntary Commitment to a Psychiatric Facility and its implementation in San Francisco. Stephen R. Jaffe, Esq., The Jaffe Law Firm, Sgt. Kelly Kruger, San Francisco Police Department, Wendy James, Vice Chair, Mental Health Board.

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4.2 Public Comment

Item 5.0 Reports

For discussion

5.1 Report from the Executive Director of the Mental Health Board. Discussion regarding upcoming events, conferences, or activities that may be of interest to board members; Mental Health Board budget issues and update on staff work on board projects.

5.2 Report of the Co-Chairs of the Board and the Executive Committee. Discussion regarding Chair's meetings with Community Behavioral Health Services staff, meetings with members of the Board of Supervisors and community meetings about mental health or substance abuse.

5.3 People or Issues Highlighted by MHB: Suggestions of people and/or programs that the board believes should be acknowledged and highlighted or issues of concern to the Mental Health Board that the board wishes to bring attention to.

5.4 Report by members of the Board on their activities on behalf of the Board. Terry Bohrer will report on the Mental Health Conference.

5.5 New business - Suggestions for future agenda items to be referred to the Executive Committee.

5.6 Public comment.

6.0 Public Comment

Adjournment

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RESOLUTION (MHB - 2014-X): Be it Resolved that the Mental Health Board urges the Health Commission and the Board of Supervisors of San Francisco to fund the Mobile Crisis Treatment Team so that it can expand by one person to include a peer (mental health consumer) member and expand its services to seven days a week at 24 hours a day.

WHEREAS, the Mobile Crisis Treatment Team, which is a program of Community Behavioral Health Services (CBHS) in the Department of Public Health, has helped many in crisis since it was founded in 1995; and,

WHEREAS, Mobile Crisis is crucial for cost-effectiveness by reducing the use of the most expensive services such as Psychiatric Emergency Services or the psychiatric inpatient wards at San Francisco General Hospital; and,

WHEREAS, Mobile Crisis is a critical service for family members of the seriously mentally ill who can call upon it when they see a loved one showing the warning signs of distress or decompensation; and,

WHEREAS, the San Francisco Police Department is a strong supporter of Mobile Crisis and frequently calls upon it saving the police department significant costs in terms of officer time plus freeing up officers for doing other police duties; and,

WHEREAS, a mental health crisis can and does occur at any time of day or night including weekends and not just during normal nine to five, Monday through Friday business hours,

WHEREAS, walk in afterhours and weekend mental health crisis services are extremely limited and non existent in most neighborhoods,

WHEREAS, the value that peers – those with lived experience with mental illness in engaging and communicating with those suffering a mental health crisis has been repeatedly demonstrated and has been increasingly accepted as important in any overall treatment engagement strategy, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mental Health Board recommends to the Health Commission, the Board of Supervisors, and the Mayor, that the Mobile Crisis Treatment Team be funded at a level which allows it to operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week and be funded to also include a peer member to improve outreach effectiveness.