MEETING OF THE MENTAL HEALTH BOARD
AGENDA
Wednesday November 16, 2016
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 Presentation: Community Response to Neighborhood Violence: Terence Patterson, EdD, ABPP, Adrian Williams, Executive Director, The Village Project Western Addition Wellness Coalition (WAWC), and Abner Boles, PhD, Project Director and Board President, African American Healing Alliance
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1.2 Public Comment

**Item 2.0 Report from Behavioral Health Services Director**

For discussion.

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

2.2 Public Comment

**Item 3.0 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.

3.1 Mental Health Services Act Updates

3.2 Public Comment

**Item 4.0 Action Items**

For discussion and action.

4.1 Public comment

4.2 Proposed Resolution: Be it resolved that the minutes for the Mental Health Board meeting of October 19, 2016 be approved as submitted.

4.3 Proposed Resolution (MHB 2016-07): Be It Resolved the Mental Health Board advocates adequate funding for Crisis Intervention Training for the San Francisco Sheriff Department (SFSD) in FY 2017-2018. Attachment A

4.4 Proposed Resolution (MHB 2016-08): Be It Resolved the Mental Health Board of San
Francisco urges the Mayor and Board of Supervisors to allocate sufficient funds for the San Francisco Police Department’s (SFPD) Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) in FY 2017-2018. Attachment B

**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 from Chair of the Board and the Executive Committee.

Discussion regarding Chair’s meetings with 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 or highlighted by the Mental Health Board.

5.4 Report by members of the Board on their activities on behalf of the Board.

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

5.6 Public comment.

**Item 6.0 Public Comment**

**Adjournment**

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION (MHB 2016-07): Be It Resolved the Mental Health Board advocates adequate funding for Crisis Intervention Training for the San Francisco Sheriff Department (SFSD) in FY 2017-2018.

WHEREAS, the Sheriff Deputies of SFSD, who work throughout the County Jail as well as in the community, are required to provide crisis services to inmates and/or individuals with behavioral health disorders (people with mental health and/or substance abuse problems) 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and;

WHEREAS, approximately 17% of the inmate population housed in county jail are diagnosed with serious mental illness and, at any given time approximately 6% to 8% of inmates booked into the jail infirmary at County Jail No. 2, most of them are receiving treatment to stabilize acute psychiatric conditions, and these individuals have interactions with the Sheriff Deputies of SFSD, and;

WHEREAS, SFSD began the Crisis Invention Training (CIT) in 2011, but only 200 out of 800 Sheriff Deputies have received the 16 hours of CIT since then, and;

WHEREAS, SFSD CIT training is currently funded to occur on a monthly basis for FY 2016-2017, and;

WHEREAS, SFSD CIT training is currently a three-day (24 hours) training program, and;

WHEREAS, all of 25 new deputy trainees in the most recent training agreed that the CIT training materials were relevant to their work and that they developed skills that they can apply to their work, and;

WHEREAS, 40 hours should be allocated to adequately conduct a meaningful CIT along with an annual 8-hour refresher training for all Sheriff Deputies as part of the Advanced Officer Training that focuses on suicide prevention, both to include civilian trainers from the behavioral health community, and;
WHEREAS, Sheriff Deputies who are assigned to psychiatric housing units should receive extra training, be part of the behavioral health team and have longer rotation periods in the psychiatric units, and;

WHEREAS, Sheriff Deputies assigned to the Sheriff’s Parole Unit at San Francisco General Hospital, Laguna Honda Hospital and nine clinics throughout San Francisco should receive additional training as they will regularly interact with individuals with behavioral health disorders in crisis, and;

WHEREAS, Sheriff Deputies who received the training said they were better able to identify symptoms and behaviors, resulting in more accurate assessments and timely referrals to Jail Behavioral Health, Reentry Services and community based treatment providers, and;

WHEREAS, Sheriff Deputies reported that their communication skills have improved as a result of the training. They are able to deescalate a crisis situation, to assist people with behavioral health disorders in remaining calm and to keep the situation under control by talking and listening to the person, and;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mental Health Board of San Francisco urges the Mayor and Board of Supervisors to allocate sufficient funds for the SFSD’s CIT in FY 2017 -2018.
PROPOSED RESOLUTION (MHB 2016-08): Be It Resolved the Mental Health Board of San Francisco urges the Mayor and Board of Supervisors to allocate sufficient funds for the San Francisco Police Department’s (SFPD) Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) in FY 2017-2018.

WHEREAS, the San Francisco Police Department CIT works throughout the City to provide crisis intervention services to individuals with behavioral health disorders 24-hours a day, seven days a week—to decrease police officer and citizen injuries and/or fatalities, and;

WHEREAS, San Francisco has many people who are homeless with behavioral health disorders and therefore have a high likelihood of interactions with police officers, and;

WHEREAS, between 2001 – 2010, nearly 1,000 SFPD police officers received CIT; and

WHEREAS, in the past five years 678 SFPD cadets and police officers have received CIT; and

WHEREAS, Officers who received the CIT training said they were better able to identify symptoms of behavioral health disorders, resulting in more accurate assessments and timely referrals to appropriate treatment services, and;

WHEREAS, Officers reported their communication skills have improved because of the training, and they are better able to deescalate a crisis and help people with behavioral health disorders by talking and listening to the person, and;

WHEREAS, research has demonstrated the effectiveness of CIT in providing efficient crisis response times, increasing diversion from jails and hospitals, assisting with treatment continuity, and decreasing untoward police officer and/or community member injuries, and;

WHEREAS, in CIT training in the past several years has been offered to police officers regularly provided by volunteer CIT Faculty from numerous agencies, e.g., San Francisco Suicide Prevention Center, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) San Francisco,
Coalition on Homelessness, Public Defender’s Office, Mental Health Court, Veterans Administration, DORE Urgent Care, Sobering Center, Private Mental Health Practitioners, Harm Reduction Center, University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) Division of Geriatrics, Palo Alto University, San Francisco Police Department, UCSF Psychiatry and Law Program, and the Office of the District Attorney Victim Services, San Francisco Mental Health Board, Mental Health Association of San Francisco, and;

WHEREAS, the San Francisco CIT Work Group is comprised of representatives from the following agencies and organizations: San Francisco Police Department, Mental Health Association of San Francisco, NAMI San Francisco, Mental Health Board San Francisco, San Francisco Coalition for Homelessness, San Francisco Public Defender, Veterans Administration, San Francisco Police Commission, Mayor’s Office of Disability, San Francisco Emergency Management, Citywide Case Management, Community Police Advisory Board, Jail Health Services, Department of Public Health, Disability Rights, and concerned citizens, and;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Mental Health Board of San Francisco urges the Mayor and Board of Supervisors to allocate sufficient funds for the SFPD’s CIT in FY 2017-2018.