



**San Bernardino County
Behavioral Health Commission
Meeting Minutes**

**Date: Thursday, September 4, 2025
Time: 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Minutes Recorded and Transcribed by: *John Granado, Clerk of the Commission*

OPENING REMARKS	PRESENTER	ACTION/OUTCOME
A. Call to Order	Allie Mink, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The meeting was called to order at 12:02 p.m. Attendees were welcomed and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.
B. Roll Call	Allie Mink, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Roll Call took place; there is a quorum.
INFORMATION ITEMS		
C. Review and Approve Minutes From 9/4/25	Members of the Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Minutes were reviewed and no changes were recommended. Motion to accept minutes made by Commissioner Westlake with a second by Commissioner Contreras. Motion was unanimously passed.
D. Public Comment	Maria Hernandez Dr. Julie Kasarjian Lori Butler	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Advised the Desert Stars field trip to Yucaipa was a success.The housing project at Gibson House has started.Held a California Bridge Connect collaborative in Redlands.Holding a California Bridge Connect collaborative virtual collaborative today on what EMS can do with medicated assisted treatments in identifying substance use.Invited attendees to the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Change the Narrative event at the Jesse Turner Community Center on September 29, 2025.There are no public comments from the Apple Valley and Yucca Valley satellite locations.
E. Chair's Report	Allie Mink, Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Welcomed the attendees to the meeting.Announced of Recovery Happens and Suicide Awareness month starting with Recovery Happens at Sylvan Park in Redlands on September 6, 2025, and includes The Sound of Recovery at San Bernardino Valley College on September 25, 2025.Attended the Third District Advisory Committee (DAC) meeting where she led and graduated classes of MPSS Certification Training.Attended a meeting of the Award Ceremony Ad Hoc Committee.Facilitated NAMI family support groups answering calls and e-mails for requests of resources and information.Attended The Wellness Conference in Anaheim, CA.Attended the Into the Light exhibit and poetry event.Attended the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) International Conference in Anaheim.Attended the ribbon cutting at Arrowhead Regional Medical Center (ARMC) for the new Adolescent Inpatient Department.

	Jonathan Cahow, Vice Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Would like to have a presentation on developing a strategic plan for additional Behavioral Health solutions in San Bernardino, Riverside, Orange, Los Angeles and San Diego counties. • Nominated to be on the Executive Board for the California Hospital Association focused on behavioral health advocacy.
	Delinia Lewis, Commissioner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended a Valley Morning Insight (VMI) meeting in Victorville, along with Luther Snoke, on transitional youth services to avoid homelessness. • Attended a meeting with jail and hospital staff on challenges that occur during booking as far as medical needs being met by the staff. • Attended the Third District DAC meeting. • Will attend the High Desert Pride Festival on September 13, 2025.
	Lynn Summers, Treasurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended the Fourth District DAC meeting. • Met with staffers from Supervisor Curt Hagman's office to discuss goals and initiatives for the Behavioral Health Commission (BHC) with his focus on homelessness. • Attended the Quality Management (QM) Quarterly Forum. • Attending The Wellness Together Conference in San Diego, CA.
	Eloisa Contreras, Commissioner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended the Ribbon cutting of the Splash Park opening in Bloomington. • Attended the re-opening of the Fifth Street bridge in San Bernardino. • Attended National Night Out in Rialto. • Attended a virtual training on Laura's Law. • Attended the Fifth District DAC meeting.
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended The Illuminating Voices Poetry Night and the Into the Night closing reception events. Also, it included Narcan training. • Attended the Fifth District DAC meeting. • Attended the grand opening of the Pacific Clinics in San Bernardino celebrating the new family resource center. • Attended the re-opening of the Fifth Street bridge in San Bernardino. • Attended the renovation of Guadalupe Field at Sal Saavedra Park in San Bernardino with Supervisor Baca, Jr. • Attended National Night Out in Rialto. • Attended the Ribbon cutting of the Splash Park opening in Bloomington.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Laura's Law: The Board passed a resolution in June of 2023 to begin in the county. To date, 226 referrals have been received for Laura's Law. Currently, out of these 89 were deemed to be ineligible and this could be for a multitude of reasons such as unable to locate them, moved out of the county, are incarcerated, two of them are on conservatorship and 33 did not meet the criteria. With that to date, out of Laura's Law they are working very closely with the Sheriff Department, receiving 68 case referrals from them. They are being tracked side by side with the Sheriff's Department, Dr. Alice Belford and her team and we are out again working to determine if the individuals meet the criteria, working out in the field to engage them, whether it's through share of hope through our Innovative Remote Onsite Assistance Delivery (InnROADs) program as well, as the Recovery Based Engagement support Tram (RBEST) program and to date we have filed 6 petitions. Again, the Department of Labor, Health under Laura's Law files the petitions that go to court, and currently we have four pending with two approved by the court.• Proposition 36: As of March 12, 2025, the District Attorney can file with the court if they want an individual to receive treatment. There is also the category of individuals who are arrested under petty theft related to substance use, that they would then be court ordered to complete a course that is being facilitated, with the support of the probation department. To date, out of 18 referrals 12 are out of custody with six in custody. Out of the 18, eight individuals were recommended for substance use residential treatment and out of eight, one is in treatment now and then we currently have another that is pending for or actively receiving outpatient services and in six cases we were unable to contact the individual• Annual Report: Requested statements from Commissioners Hall, Mondragon, Westlake, Chapman, Moore and Treasurer Summers as they have not yet provided.• Weather: Due to the extreme heat, three clubhouses located in Ontario, Fontana and San Bernardino are offering cooling services to residents and individuals in the county.• Circling back to a conversation during the presentation, Dr. Yoshioka advised the BHC that currently, the County has 316 adult LPS designated beds, 73 that are 18 and older and 73 for 17 and younger. Between November and early spring beds will increase from 316 to 389 for adults and 147 for younger. In contract with Aurora Behavioral Health in Los Angeles they have 134 adult beds and 14 adolescents. Pacific Grove, contracted with Riverside County, has 68 adult beds.• Public Relations and Outreach (PRO): Announced the following events
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