

**Los Angeles County
Department of Mental Health
Service Area Advisory Committee
SAAC 4 Cities**



**Atwater Village
Boyle Heights
Chinatown
Country Club Park
Cypress Park
Downtown Los Angeles
Highland Park
Hollywood
Lincoln Heights
Los Feliz
Miracle Mile
Palms
Silverlake /Chinatown
South Park
West Adams-Exposition Park
West Hollywood
Westlake
Wholesale**



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Service Area 4
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Committee (Metro)**



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What is the Service Area Advisory Committee (SAAC)?

The Service Area Advisory Committee (SAAC), functions as a local forum of consumers, families, service providers, and community representatives to provide the County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health (DMH), with information, advice, and recommendations on:

- The functioning of local service systems
- The mental health service needs of their geographic area
- The most effective/efficient use of available resources
- The maintenance of two-way communication between the DMH and various groups and geographic communities

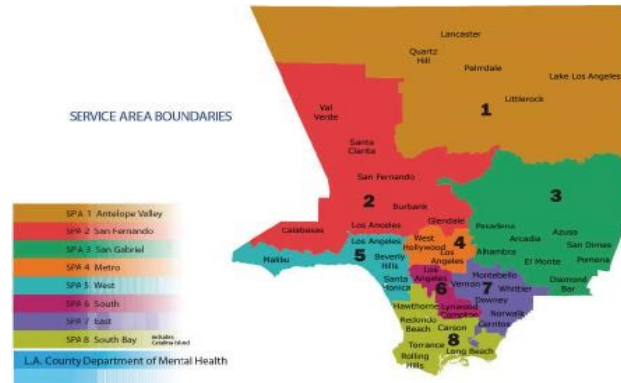
Who are the members?

SAAC members reflect the rich diversity of their community. SAAC members represent:

- Different age groups; Older Adults, Adults, Adolescents and Children
- Different ethnic groups
- Diverse neighborhoods and communities
- The homeless mentally ill
- Those diagnosed with both mental illness and substance abuse
- Families of consumers

Community Groups Need Your Support:

You can help the County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health, address the needs of persons diagnosed with mental illness and their families by participating in the SAAC. The County of Los Angeles is divided into eight geographic service areas; each area has a Service Area Advisory Committee comprised of:



- Consumers
- Family members
- Community service providers
- Local management staff of DMH
- Community representatives

The SAAC advises the DMH on mental health issues. It is their responsibility to:

- Provide feedback to the DMH on the quality of its programs and services
- Participate in the DMH planning efforts
- Educate its community on mental health topics
- Determine a community's mental health needs

Become an Advocate for Mental Health in Your Community

How can you help?

You can assist your community by becoming a SAAC member today:

- Share your unique perspective on mental health issues
- Learn about mental health issues
- Work to address special needs that encourage the development of meaningful and responsive services

Who Can Join a Service Area Advisory Committee?

Consumers, family members of consumers, community organizations, mental health service providers, interested community members, and representatives of local governments

SAAC 4 General Meetings are Open to the Public

Meetings are usually held on the third Thursday of each month from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at County of Los Angeles DMH Headquarters, 550 South Vermont Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90020.

It is advised to please call to confirm time, date and room location.