

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH  
AFRICAN/AFRICAN AMERICAN UsCC SUBCOMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES – March 21, 2019  
Location: Lennox Library 4359 Lennox Blvd.  
Lennox, Ca 90304  
2pm-4pm**

**Date:** March 21, 2019

**Present:** Matthew Mizel, Nicole Eberhart, Romalis Taylor, Anna Yaralyan, Mirtala-Parada Ward, Keacha Stewart, Erica Melbourne, Karen S. Gunn, Imani Bradley, and Robin Leach

**Participants via conference call:** Belanie Brown, and Reba Stevens

| Agenda Items                         | Comments/Discussion/Recommendations/Conclusions   | Action Item | Person(s) Responsible                |
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| <b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b>   | Welcome and Introductions.  |             | <b>AAA UsCC membership</b>           |
| <b>Review of Minutes</b>             | The January 29, 2019 meeting minutes were reviewed with minor corrections.<br>Belanie Brown's name was misspelled, this was corrected and emailed to all the members.<br><br>Minutes were approved.   |             | <b>Co-chairs/<br/>Romalis Taylor</b> |
| <b>RAND Corporation Presentation</b> | RAND Representative conducted a 90-minute focus group. It was an open discussion with the AAA subcommittee members. Matthew Mizel from RAND Corporation shared with the members that RAND is a Non-Profit Independent Research Organization. RAND is working with the Service Area Advisory Councils (SAACs) and the Underserved Cultural Communities (UsCCs) to engage them in focus group discussions and gather information about their needs. RAND Corporation will assist LACDMH who is undergoing a strategic planning process to help transform their system of care. RAND Corporation facilitated the meeting and received feedback from various stakeholders. Nicole |             | <b>Matthew Mizel</b>                 |

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|                     | Eberhart took notes which will be shared with the members once RAND has completed their final report.   |  |               |
| <b>Next meeting</b> | <p style="text-align: center;">Lennox Library<br/>       4359 Lennox Blvd,<br/>       Lennox, CA 90304<br/>       May 30, 2019<br/>       2pm-4pm</p> <p>Respectfully Submitted</p> <p>Anna Yaralyan, Psy.D. Clinical Psychologist<br/>       Office of the Deputy Director of Strategic Communications<br/>       AAA Underserved Cultural Communities Liaison</p> |  | Anna Yaralyan |

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