

**LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
Office of the Deputy Director of Strategic Communications**

Access for All UsCC Subcommittee Minutes

April 10th, 2019
10:00AM – 12:00PM
Five Acres

Present: Roque Bucton, Amy Kay, Alex Elliott, Gabe Gomez, Nicholas Lugo, Cody Hanable, Sunnie Whipple, Bernice Mascher, Mariah Ajanel, Wendy Cabil, Arnold Youngblood, Sylvia Youngblood, Leniz Batres, Erik Escareno, Nina Moody, and Tonnie Hemphill

No one participated on the phone.

DMH Staff: Rosario Riblesa and Connie Castaneda

Agenda Items	Comments/Discussion/Recommendations/Conclusions
Welcome/ Introductions	Attendee introductions
Review of minutes	March 13, 2019 meeting minutes approved
Special Presentation -Thiago Coelho, Esq. - Bobby Saadian, Esq.JD/MBA Wilshire Law Firm	<p>American Disabilities Act (ADA) is a civil rights law that prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities in all areas of public life, including jobs, schools, transportation, and all public and private places that are open to the general public.</p> <p>The presentation was about the rights of disabled consumers on purchasing goods and services online. Thiago Coelho, Esq. explained that the law gives reasonable accommodations to anyone with physical disability especially the blind who buys products online.</p> <p>The requirements of the law:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corporations to comply with the regulations to help the blind and people with disabilities • Provide website that will give accessibility to the blind buyers • Require reasonable accommodations if they sell a product or a service in a physical location • The use of JAWS – Screen reading software program • Encourage people to report companies that do not provide accessibilities to disabled individuals • Target each individual school who are not compliant. <p>In California, UNRUH Civil Rights Act provides \$4000 dollars' statutory damages for every person that cannot access a website.</p> <p>Bobby Saadian admitted that the law is not perfect yet, and the legislative body needs to be educated. He tried to</p>

	<p>empower and motivate the attendees to unite and work to make billion dollar companies comply with the regulations to help the blind and the disabled. Their law firm is willing to help individuals with disabilities who have complaints on unsatisfactory or unacceptable services or products received from companies.</p>															
<p>New name for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Blind and Physical Disabilities UsCC Open discussion</p>	<p>Alex Elliott (co-chair) asked the subcommittee's ideas for the new name of the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Blind, and Physical Disabilities UsCC subcommittee. Following were the subcommittee's suggestions:</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="514 354 1386 553"> <tr> <td>1. DMH Disabilities UsCC</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2. Accessibility for All</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>3. Accessibility 4 All</td> <td>7. Disability UsCC</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4. Access for All</td> <td>8. Disability DMH</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5. Abilities</td> <td>9. All Ability</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6. Ability for All – Ability 4 All</td> <td>10. Inclusibility UsCC</td> </tr> </table> <p>The subcommittee agreed not to use the number “4” (instead of “for”) as it could create confusion. The ten (10) suggested new names were narrowed down in to three (3), for final voting:</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="590 690 1323 719"> <tr> <td>1. All Ability</td> <td>2. Ability for All</td> <td>3. Access for All</td> </tr> </table> <p>Alex announced that Rosario will e-mail the members of the subcommittee to ask more suggestions, to give a chance for those who were not able to join the meeting. The final voting for the new name will be administered through survey monkey.</p>	1. DMH Disabilities UsCC		2. Accessibility for All		3. Accessibility 4 All	7. Disability UsCC	4. Access for All	8. Disability DMH	5. Abilities	9. All Ability	6. Ability for All – Ability 4 All	10. Inclusibility UsCC	1. All Ability	2. Ability for All	3. Access for All
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<p>Logo Update</p>	<p>The subcommittee's logo will be decided once the new name is voted. The logo will be matched with the new name of the subcommittee.</p>															
<p>Announcements</p>	<p>PSA Status: The consultant from Enlightened Pictures Inc. will be attending the May 8th meeting to ask for feedback from the group regarding the project.</p> <p>Election of New Co-Chairs: Roque Bucton was nominated for Co-chair position. Other members were encouraged to nominate themselves or someone from the subcommittee who qualifies for the position and has the passion to serve the community.</p> <p>Meeting adjourn at 12:00pm</p>															
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>5/8/19, 3:30pm-5:00pm. There is a possibility of changing the schedule as it conflicts with the CCC meeting.</p>															