

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

Access for All UsCC Subcommittee Minutes

June 19, 2019
10:00AM – 12:00PM
Five Acres

Present: Roque Bucton, Alex Elliott, Erik Escareno, Jayne Kim, Sylvia Youngblood, Sunnie Whipple, Bernice Mascher, Arnold Youngblood
Interpreters: Gregory Simpson
On Phone: Kinesha Evans

DMH Staff: Rosario Ribleza, Mirtala Parada Ward, and Connie Acosta Castaneda

Agenda Items	Comments/Discussion/Recommendations/Conclusions
Welcome/ Introductions	Attendee introductions
Review of Code of Conduct	<p>The Code of Conduct was distributed and read to the subcommittee. Although signing is voluntary, each subcommittee member was encouraged to sign the Code of Conduct and submit to Rosario.</p> <p>Sunnie Whipple inquired if someone will be asked to leave if he/she disrupts a meeting. Mirtala Parada Ward advised that the co-chairs should handle the disruptive situations.</p>
Review of Minutes	May 8th, 2019 meeting minutes - moved to approve by Alex, and seconded by Sunnie
Updates/Discussion - Mirtala Parada Ward	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>SAAC and UsCC Co-chairs Meeting</u> <p>A second joint meeting of the Service Area Advisory Committees (SAAC) and Underserved Cultural Communities (UsCC) subcommittees will be held on July 8th, 2019. The Department of Mental Health (DMH) hired an independent facilitator in order to have a more objective meeting. This meeting will be more centered on the subcommittees' collaboration, the commonalities of their goals and visions. It will be more focus group oriented. During the April 2019 meeting, each group provided feedback on what DMH can do to improve services to the public. The SAAC's would like to know more about how they can learn more about capacity building projects, and how can they can provide feedback. They talked about the ways they could communicate effectively to one another. Mirtala</p>

	<p>informed the subcommittee that the meeting is very structured, and it is open to the public. She invited everyone to attend.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Capacity Building Projects Update</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clinical Mental Health Training – this project should be approved; solicitation will be closing soon. 2. Community Mental Health Needs Assessment – no one bids during solicitation process, so it was resubmitted to re-open for solicitation. Hoping it gets approved by June 30th or else the subcommittee loses its money. 3. Peer-to-Peer Network was awarded on June 18th 2019 4. PSA Development Project – awarded to Enlightened Pictures, Inc. • <u>Transportation</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. DMH is trying to see if transportation can be provided through Lyft, so that the community can attend the meetings. Hopefully, decisions will be released by July 1, 2019. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>Sylvia Youngblood:</u> If people get a Lyft code, will they be required to have a credit card to put on their Lyft account? ○ <u>Mirtala Parada Ward:</u> DMH has an account with Lyft. Clients or community members will be given a special code, and that code will be used against DMH's credit card. The only requirement is for the users to have an App on their phone. ○ <u>Sunnie Whipple:</u> Can I use Lyft for my CAP meetings? ○ Mirtala was not sure. She will ask Mimi McKay for an accurate information.
<p>Discussion on Issues/Concerns – Roque Bucton</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <u>Roque Bucton</u> expressed his concerns, and clarified misunderstandings on PSA scriptwriting. Roque and Erik Escareno explained their sides and issues were resolved. ➤ <u>Mirtala Parada Ward</u> informed the subcommittee that David Gamburg, the consultant will put together all the feedback and ideas provided by the subcommittee. He will submit three different concepts. The subcommittee will review and approve the script.

<p>Election of New Co-Chairs – Co-Chair</p>	<p>Nominations for Co-Chairs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Roque Bucton 2. Erik Escareno <p><u>Mirtala Parada Ward</u> encouraged everyone who is interested in becoming a co-chair to nominate him or herself, or someone else. E-mail Rosario Ribleza.</p>
<p>Review and Discussion of By-laws – Co-Chair</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subcommittee reviewed UsCC by-laws, and changes were made to line with YourDMH: <p>Changes recommended:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Bernice Mascher:</u> Under Principles A. #5; “All UsCC meetings are open to the general public” – be changed to an active word : <i>“Insure that all UsCC meetings are open and accessible to the public”</i>. • <u>Erik Escareno:</u> Under Meeting Composition B. #1 “All meetings are open to the general public” - be changed to; <i>“All meetings are open and accessible to the general public”</i>. • <u>Bernice Mascher:</u> Under “Terms of Office” – Co-Chairs section be changed to bullets. • <u>Mirtala Parada Ward:</u> Each subcommittee member’s attendance is recoded every meeting. Member’s attendance is used to determine his/her voting privileges. For transparency, attendance record is available upon request. • By-Laws are still in draft mode.
<p>Meeting Adjourned</p>	<p>12:10 P.M.</p>
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>July 24, 2019 - 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon at Five Acres</p>