LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AFRICAN/AFRICAN AMERICAN USCC SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – April 22, 2020

Location: Skype Meeting 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Date: April 22, 2020

Present: Romalis Taylor, Nakeya Fields, Belanie Brown, Maggie Martinez, Kandee Lewis, Pharoah Mitchell, Wendy Calib, Erica Melbourne,

Nicole Beaubien, Sonay Aadam, Adam Benson, Carlene Davis, Laneay London, Alicia Montgomery, Cleo Ray, Keisha Jones, Mike

Hernandez, Erin?/Senta?

LACDMH

Staff: Desiree De Shay, Dr. Sandra Chang

Participants via conference call:

Agenda Items	Comments/Discussion/Recommendations/Conclusions
Introductions	Everyone introduced themselves.
	All Participants on the phone and in person introduced themselves.
Review and Approval	Meeting Minutes approved.
of Minutes	
DMH update DSW COVID 19:	DMH is working diligently to set-up disasters services for LA County. Our capapcity building projects are put on hold. Unknown of how long DMH will be on limited status and clinics closed. Check-in with LA County Town Halls Development of a Speakers Bureau

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Community Needs	Community Needs
Romalis:	
	Faith base leaders
	Emotional support Develop a suvery with in the community; data can help
	Media support: Radio, Flyers, Webinar, Internet access, marketing messages to the African/ Black community
	Social Media/Outreach Digital campaigns
	Financial resources
	Resources; food counseling etc.
	Address mistreatment and lack of access Access to Testing
	PPE
	Mental Health Support and Services

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Process and support surrounding COVID19 Nakeya	Nakeya allowed various committee members to debrief and discuss their feelings and concerns regarding the COVID19 pandemic and the impact on themselves as well as others effected.
Dr. Sandra Chang Cultural Competency Unit Program Manager	Discuss the DMH Speakers Bureau which a mandate by Dr. John Sherin Clinical Training Langage speciality Emotional Support Faith Base Leaders

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Public	
Comments/Final	
Remarks	
Future Meeting Time	May 28 th 2020 Skype /Virtual Meeting
& Dates	

Respectfully Submitted:

Desiree DeShay, MSW

AAA Underserved Cultural Communities Liaison