

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

Access for All UsCC Subcommittee Minutes

January 11, 2023

10:00AM – 12:00PM

Microsoft Teams Meeting

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Attendees: Hector Ramirez, Junko Nagamatsu, Alison Freeman, Pamela Inaba, Aaron Icedo, Sylvia Youngblood, Arnold Youngblood, Ruth Wen, Darren Daniels, Carol, Socorro Chacon, Irma Velasquez, Gabriela Velasquez, Michael Cook, Belia Flores

DMH: Matin Almanza, Martha Ortiz, Alex Elliot, Angel Baker, Julio Miranda, Darlesh Horn, Mary Barraza, and Rosario Ribleza

Interpreter & Captioner: Joe Brouillette and KL Kyelmorgan Joann

Agenda Items	Comments/Discussion/Recommendations/Conclusions
Welcome & Introductions - Subcommittee	Attendees Introduction.
Meeting Norms/Review of Code of Conduct – Co- Chair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hector Ramirez provided the Code of Conduct and Meeting Norms to the subcommittee.
Meeting Minutes: Review and Approval	<p>Approval of Meeting Minutes</p> <p>December 13, 2022 – moved to approve by Dr. Alison Freeman, and seconded by Junko Nagamatsu</p>
Community and Accessibility Resources	<p>Community and Accessibility Resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LA County Public Health – Public Health Call Center/Tele-Health Call the free tele-health service at 1-833-540-0473, open 7 days a week, 8:00 am – 8:30 pm Tele-health services provide easy access to COVID-19 testing, evaluation, and if you are eligible, oral

COVID-19 treatment.

<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/acd/ncorona2019/medication/>

- **Youth Mental Health Resource Hub – California Health and Human Services**

<https://www.chhs.ca.gov/youth-mental-health-resources/>

Curated Mental Health resources for Youth

Curated Mental Health resources for Parents, Family, and Friends

Curated Mental Health resources for Schools & Teachers

- **Global report on health equity for persons with disabilities – World Health Organization**

<https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/9789240063600>

An estimated 1.3 billion people – or 16% of global population worldwide – experience a significant disability today. Persons with disabilities have the right to the highest attainable standard of health as those without disabilities. However, the WHO Global report on health equity for persons with disabilities demonstrates that while some progress has been made in recent years, the world is still far from realizing this right for many persons with disabilities

- **Introducing Project Leonardo for PlayStation 5, a highly customizable accessibility controller kit**

<https://blog.playstation.com/2023/01/04/introducing-project-leonardo-for-playstation-5-a-highly-customizable-accessibility-controller-kit/>

Project Leonardo for PlayStation 5. Developed with key contributions from accessibility experts, community members, and game developers, Project Leonardo is our codename for a new highly customizable controller kit that works “out of the box” to help many players with disabilities play games more easily, more comfortably, and for longer periods.

- **Use Sign Language View in Microsoft Teams**

<https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/office/use-sign-language-view-in-microsoft-teams-c6c11f67-0747-4598-ac27-c90801b94434#:~:text=To%20enable%20Sign%20Language%20View,then%20turn%20on%20Sign%20Language.>

Sign Language View is a meeting experience in Microsoft Teams on Windows, Mac, and web that helps signers – people who are deaf or hard of hearing, sign language interpreters, and others who use sign language – keep one another prioritized in a consistent on-screen location throughout every meeting.

- **Disabilities, Opportunities, Internetworking, and Technology (DO•IT) Center**

www.washington.edu/doi/

The DO•IT Center is dedicated to empowering people with disabilities through technology and education. It promotes awareness and accessibility—in both the classroom and the workplace to

maximize the potential of individuals with disabilities and make our communities more vibrant, diverse, and inclusive. For more information please visit www.washington.edu/doi/.

- **U.S. Department of Education, Office of Civil Rights, Videos Series on Digital Accessibility in Education**

<https://adata.org/ocr-videos>

The U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights (OCR) released a 20-part video series covering a variety of topics on digital access in education, including how people with disabilities use technology, applicable federal regulations, and identifying and remediating barriers to access. OCR partnered with the ADA National Network to produce the videos for the purposes of providing basic information on and instructions to many different digital accessibility concepts, such as fundamental manual testing techniques, use of color, logical reading order, meaningful video captions, and others. The videos are designed for a wide range of audiences, including school webmasters, parents and students with disabilities, and educational app developers and other IT vendors. The videos are available on ADA National Network's *OCR Video Series page*. All videos are open-captioned. For questions or comments regarding the video series, or for more information please contact the Office of Civil Rights at OCR@ed.gov.

- **Augmented Reality and Virtual Reality in Medical Devices – U.S Food and Drug Administration**

<https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/digital-health-center-excellence/augmented-reality-and-virtual-reality-medical-devices?fbclid=IwAR09 IVsqmTfQ bYmuvSRNIym4C1VIGQrMdvSjvLXhRIF Vq6bPvqoy KkY#resources>

The Food and Drug Administration has published an overview of augmented reality and virtual reality (AR/VR) medical devices.

In the document, the FDA outlines how AR/VR is affecting medical devices, explaining how the technology can deliver certain clinical services, including some typically confined to hospitals and clinics, to patients in their homes.

- **I Didn't See You There – Film by Reid Davenport and Keith Wilson**

<https://www.pbs.org/pov/films/didntseeyouthere/>

When a circus tent goes up outside his Oakland apartment, a disabled filmmaker launches into a meditative journey exploring the history of freakdom, vision, and (in)visibility. Shot from the director's physical perspective — mounted to his wheelchair or handheld — *I Didn't See You There* serves as a clear rebuke to the norm of disabled people being seen and not heard. Winner, 2022 Sundance, U.S. Documentary Director and Grand Jury Prize nominee

Presentation:

Process to Request MHSA Funding for New Projects/Request or Propose New Projects

- **Dr. Darlesh Horn**

GENERAL UPDATES:

1. DMH Updates

- **Angel Baker**

2. Capacity Building Projects

- **Rosario Ribleza**

2022-2023 Capacity Building Projects

Process to Request MHSA Funding for New Projects/Request or Propose New Projects

1. Complete and submit the Proposal form - a link to submit proposals is provided
2. Internal Review- proposals will be reviewed within 7-60 days
3. Stakeholder Review
4. Executive Recommendation – the Executive Leadership will give recommendation consensus on stakeholders’ proposals
5. Developing and Drafting of the Plan
6. Board Review and Approval
7. Implementation

Each process has its timeframe to follow

- Stakeholders need to submit their proposals on or before January 15
- A 30-day public posting will be done in March
- Review by Mental Health Commission in April
- Board of Supervisor will review and approve by May
- Annual Update must be done by June

DM Updates

1. Moving ahead with current projects and processes
2. Life Links – working on the agreement; still trying to solidify
3. DMH to host a Faith-Based & Spirituality Conference for May 24, 2023, during May Mental Health Month
 - Faith-Based Community will not receive funding or become one of the UsCCs
4. ADA Program will remain with Angel Baker until it is ready for implementation
 - Hector Ramirez raised the subcommittee’s interest to have a conference for Access for All UsCC. Angel informed the subcommittee that DMH will fund it.
 - Dr. Alison Freeman expressed her concerns for the needed services for the deaf and hard of hearing community.
 - Angel Baker made a commitment for enhanced services for the deaf and hard of hearing community, and offered her full support for Access for All UsCC.

Capacity Building Projects for FY 2022-2023

Statement of Works (SOW) were written for all the projects listed below. They are now in the final review process.

1. Workshop for ASL Interpreters
2. Pilot Program: Introduction of American Sign Language (ASL) to Middle and High School Students
3. Peers Training for Employability and Self- Advocacy

<p>FY 2023-2024</p>	<p>Capacity Building Projects for FY 2023-2024 The subcommittee members who are privileged to vote were strongly encouraged to cast their vote for the following projects:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mental Health Specialist: Training for Peers 2. Liberation Workshop Series 3. Innovation Lab and Fellowship 4. Neurodivergent Experiences Album
<p>Brainstorming</p> <p>A. Access for All Flyer Subcommittee Members</p>	<p>Access for All Flyer Suggestions: Update the old flyer and include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The date and time of the meetings; ○ CART and ASL are provided in all the meetings ○ Information on ADA Offices ○ Access for All logo and pictures of people with disability, person performing sign language, Braille ○ Flyer must be as inclusive as possible
<p>Public Comments</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Budget : Governor Newsome announced his new budget proposal (initial proposal), and people can make recommendations until May 2023 2. Los Angeles County and City of Los Angeles are working together to address the issue of homelessness 3. Suggestion: if Access for All can create a program or flyer that Promotores could give out to the communities; a pamphlet with instructions on how to request accommodation 4. The County is slowly going back to in-person and hybrid meetings
<p>Next Meeting</p>	<p>Next meeting is on February 8, 2023 – 10:00 am – 12:00 noon / Recording & Transcriptions at DMH website</p>

Meeting Recording for 1/11/22

https://lacountymediahost.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?clip_id=10488