

LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
American Indian / Alaska Native (AI/AN) UsCC Subcommittee Meeting Minutes
 May 3rd, 2023
 2pm – 4pm via Microsoft TEAMS

Present: Shannon Rivers, Farrah Ferris, Hector Ramirez, Jessica Mosher, Ravena Soto, Robyn Gomez, Bernice Mascher, Dria Yellowhair, Erik Escareno, Ryan Caldwell, McKenna Belgarde, Stacy Dalgelish, Andrew Hill, Andria McFerson, Pamela Villasenor, Charlotte Lujan, Yue Hua Xu (Vicky), Sylvia Gonzales-Youngblood, Belinda Najera, Toni Craigs-Thomas

DMH Admin: Kelly Wilkerson, Mary Barraza, Robert Byrd

Agenda Items	Discussion
Welcome, Prayer & Introductions	Meeting opened with prayer. Members were asked to introduce themselves.
In Memoriam – Jimi Castillo	Shannon shared regarding the passing of Tongva elder, Jimi Castillo. In lieu of flowers, they are asking for contributions for his widow to help with expenses: https://gofund.me/0d44f5c3
Meeting Minutes	April 2023 minutes were reviewed and approved (first – Sylvia Gonzales-Youngblood, second – Jessica Mosher).
DMH Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary Barraza and Dr. Robert Byrd, executive management for the ARDI Division, introduced themselves and shared a bit about the vision for the ARDI Division moving forward. • Dr. Byrd also shared regarding the California Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative: Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative - California Health and Human Services • Kelly updated the subcommittee regarding the AI/AN Mental Health Summit – The California Endowment was able to reserve Monday, 11/20/23 for this event. Planning for that will begin next month. • The Faith-Based Conference will be taking place on 5/23/23 at the LA Convention Center. There will be tabling opportunities for each of the UsCCs. Registration is open at: EventsHub (lacounty.gov) • The Speakers Bureau Conference will take place on 12/6/23 and 12/7/23. More info to follow.
Co-Chair Report Out	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co-chairs updated the subcommittee regarding the most recent monthly leadership meeting and the request for ongoing information to be shared with the Mental Health Commission. A survey was created to provide this feedback: https://forms.office.com/q/2Gfq20W4N5

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICCTM Learning Collaborative update from Charlotte Lujan and Hector Ramirez.
Mending the Hoop – Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pamela Villasenor, Executive Director at Pukuu Cultural Community Services, provided updates regarding the Mending the Hoop project. • The first day will take place on May 20th at Rudy Ortega Sr. Park in San Fernando. Will include experiential breakout sessions. • Registration link: Mending the Hoop
MMIWG2-S – Presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farrah Ferris and Charlotte Lujan presented regarding Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women, Girls, and Two-Spirit (MMIWG2-S, MMIP). • They shared the origins of MMIP, as well as statistics and a call to action. • Feather Alert (ca.gov)
Community Announcements & Resources & Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Send any resources to Kelly via email (KeWilkerson@dmh.lacounty.gov) to be sent out to the listserv.
Closing Prayer	Meeting closed with Prayer.
Audio Recording	All meeting minutes are available on the DMH website: https://dmh.lacounty.gov/about/mhsa/uscc/american-indian-alaska-native-ai-an-uscc/american-indian-alaska-native-ai-an-uscc-meeting-minutes/
Next Meetings:	<p><u>Next Meetings (first Wednesday of the month, all meetings 2-4pm):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6/7/23, 7/5/23, 8/2/23, 9/6/23, 10/4/23, 11/1/23, 12/6/23 <p>Join Microsoft Teams Meeting; 323-776-6996, Conference ID: 806 867 419# CART is provided for all meetings: www.streamtext.net/player?event=UsCC-AIAN</p>