



▶▶ Highlights from the DMH Update ▶▶ July 2023

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▶▶ HIGHLIGHTS: ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

- DMH Leadership Position for June/July 2023:
 - Karen Zarsadiaz-Ige, Communications Manager
 - Tonica Robertson, Chief of Peer Services
- MH Commission Referrals Update:
 - 4 Constituent Referrals
 - 3-mental health services
 - 1-administrative

▶▶ HIGHLIGHTS: MOTIONS

June Board Motions: In June 2023, the motions below were approved by the Board that are to be **submitted by DMH.**

- **Moving Forward with Steps to Implement CARE Court in LA County (Item 16, Agenda of June 6, 2023)**
Purpose: Provides necessary authorities to move forward with the CARE Court implementation plans (staffing, contracting, etc.).
- **Care with Pride: Supporting Gender Affirming Health Care, Mental Health Services, and Care Management for LGBTQ+ Residents, Including Transgender, Gender Nonconforming, and Intersex (TGI) People (Item 28, Agenda of June 6, 2023)**
Purpose: To receive an update on the progress of the Gender Health Program.
- **Protecting Los Angeles County Youth from Negative Impacts of Social Media (Item 31, Agenda of June 6, 2023)**
Purpose: Taking action according to the US Surgeon General's March 23, 2023, Advisory regarding growing concerns about the negative impacts of social media on youth mental health.

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- **Amendment to Item 67 regarding Veteran Peer Access Network (Item 67, Agenda of June 6, 2023)**
Purpose: To provide an update on the Veteran Peer Access Network, including successes and recommendations regarding aligning with the County's veteran implementation actions.
- **Implementing Further Countywide Expansion of Mentorship Programs Serving Black Girls and Other At-Risk Children (Item 16, Agenda of June 27, 2023)**
Purpose: Expanding the mentorship program for at-risk youth.

▶▶ HIGHLIGHTS: REPORT RESPONSES

June Report Responses:

- **Report Back on Collection of Standardized Urgent Care Center (Item No. 34, Agenda of April 28, 2015)**
 - July 2022-December 2022
 - Currently 10 Open Mental Health Urgent Care Centers
 - Individuals Served: 20,261 overall
 - Unique Visits: 19, 216 total
 - Utilization Rate: 45.7% overall
- **Quarterly Update on Initiating the Hollywood 2.0 Pilot Project (Item 6, Agenda of November 2, 2021).**
 - March 2023 through May 2023.
 - Updates on:
 - Hiring/Recruitment Status
 - Academic Partner Status
 - Continued Community Engagement with the Hollywood community
 - Continued work to identify and secure properties for various components of the project

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- **Addressing the Ongoing Board and Care Crisis (Item No. 2, Agenda of November 12, 2019)**
 - Mental Health Resource Location Navigator (MHRLN): Transitioning to DMH Website summer 2023
 - Licensed Adult Residential Care Association (LARCA):
 - Currently 235 members
 - Board of Directors August 2022
 - Filing for Non-Profit Organization Status
 - Developed Membership Committees
 - Advocating for increase to Non-Medical Out-of-Home Care (NMOHC) Rates
 - Capital Improvement Projects: Integrated into CCE Program Projects
 - CCE Program:
 - DMH Award: Approx. \$42 million Operating Subsidy Payments (OSP) funds; Approx. \$55 million Capital Projects (CP) funds
 - Other Awardees (Not DMH): 5 additional LA County awardees; 3 with Participation Agreements (PA) with DMH
 - Closures
 - July 2022 and March 2023
 - 19 Adult Residential Facilities (157 beds)
 - 27 Residential Facilities for the Elderly (355 beds)
 - No DMH or DHS-Enhanced Residential Care clients impacted

QUESTIONS



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