

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES-DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
SERVICE AREA ADMINISTRATION
Service Area 7**

**SALT 7 Minutes
10/10/25
10am-12pm**

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Agenda Items	Discussion	Action Item	Person Responsible	Due Date
Welcome/Land Acknowledgement	Jaime Gomez welcomed participants and reminded participants that transcripts and minutes of the meeting can be viewed on the SA7 microsite. The SALT 7 meeting was held in hybrid mode held in person at Department of Public Health in the City of Whittier.	On-going	Jaime Gomez/Co-chairs	11/14/25
Co-Chair Update Yvonne Sandoval	City of Commerce will host a Turkey Trot on November 15 in the City of Commerce. Ms. Sandoval shared flyer. Acknowledged Indigenous Day on Monday, October 13 th , 2025. The BHSA/CPT meeting will be on Tuesday, October 14th at St. Anne's. Recognized that today, October 10 is World Mental Health Day.	Updates are on-going	Yvonne Sandoval Sydney Tabizon	11/14/25
Manuel Rosas, Chief, SA7 Updates	The Department is preparing for the transition from MHSA to BHSA, discussions on what that will look like are ongoing and what intensive services will look like. The levels of care tools have gone countywide and are currently being implemented. The Department is working on improving capacity for adult full-service partnership programs. For their diligence in working with providers and directly operated clinics and were able to clear the wait list. Working on bringing additional resources to our communities. On May of 2023 we were part of a groundbreaking residential facility in the City of Huntington Park that focuses on seniors and veterans. Working with the Office of Janice Hahn in bringing a residential facility for seniors The Peer Resource Center will be hosting a Dia de Los Muertos on November 5 th . We are		Manuel Rosas	11/14/25

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	<p>in the process of planning the May and June Men’s event. Encourage providers to apply for the mini grants. Additional information to come as the date approaches. Optimistic about transformation into BHSA. The Clubhouse model is still in development, looking at space, staffing patterns, however there are still a lot of stigmas about bringing mental health services into the community. The Club House visited in New York is peer-run, difficult to distinguish between staff and clients. We are looking at about 1000 square feet for the Club House. The Peer Resource Center comes from the direction of the peers. The Service Area Peer Resource Center is out in the community; it is with peers and thus one of the most successful throughout all service areas. We are looking forward to possibly having an evening meeting to bring people who may not be able to attend during the morning hours and get more diverse.</p>			
<p>Victor Manalo, Mental Health Commissioner</p>	<p>Provided a brief introduction on his tenure, has been a commissioner for two years. Received Master’s Degree in social work but and PhD from USC but never worked in mental health. Worked in service delivery and organizational leadership and community empowerment. Spending the month of October visiting various SALT’s and UsCC’s hearing from constituents on community needs. Los Angeles County has about 11 million people, it would be a state if Los Angeles County was a state. It is the responsibility of community</p>			

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	to tell the department what it should be doing and as commissioner we share the same purpose to advise the Department of Mental so issues that are addressed at the community level can be pushed up further in the department and as commissioner able to bring concerns and or issues directly to the directors and Board of Supervisors if needed.			
Provider/Public Announcements	Telecare is trying to follow the Fountain House model. Staff and peers are undistinguishable. The model is a peer run model. Enki had a peer run coffee house. There are creative ways on delivery of services that welcomes peer feedback into program development.	On-going	Providers and community members	11/14/25
	Jaime Gomez-the PRC has a lot of peer participation Pennylane has a youth group, and they are organizing an event on November 7 th . They are doing it; we are just there to support. Pennylane encourages their abilities. Asked the SALT membership to take a vote at evening meetings. Suggestions were brought up for locations: parks, school, libraries etc. However, all come with obstacles, possibility of restaurant in East Los Angeles or library. Pennylane suggested their location; they are open until 7pm. Membership agreed to have first meeting in February of 2026, giving time to secure site. Suggested live stream instead of TEAMS, location	On going	DMH Staff	11/14/25

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	must have good internet service. Membership voted on having one evening meeting in February 2026. No morning meeting will be held. Location and time to be announced.			

Attendees: 44