

Consolidate Planning and Advisory Workgroup (CPAW)

Thursday September 4, 2014

3pm – 6pm

Location: 2425 Bisso Lane, First Floor Conference Room, Concord, CA 94520



Members attending: Connie Steers, Dave Kahler, Lori Hefner, Mariana Moore, Laurie Schnider, Kathi McLaughlin, Molly Hamaker, Sam Yoshioka, Stephen Boyd, Susan Medlin, Tom Gilbert, Gina Swirsding, Karen Smith, Lisa Bruce, Kimberly Krisch, Lauren Rettagliata, Courtney Cummings, Susanna Marshland

Staff attending: Erin McCarty, Roberto Roman, Brandon McGuire, Emilse Ramirez, Mike Petersen, Vern Wallace, Gerold Loenicker

Public Participants: Tess Paoli, Sheri Richards, Doug Dunn, Don Green, Carwen Spencer, Maude DeVictor, Kim, Anne Cevallos, Sylvia Ortega, Ben Barr, Susan Horrocks, Maria, Janice Khalil, Anthony Khalil, Sharon Madison, Hilary Bowers, Gloria Ducick

Facilitator: Maria Pappas

Recorder: Lisa Cabral

Staff Support: Warren Hayes

Excused from Meeting: Ryan Nestman, Tony Sanders,

Absent from Meeting: John Hollender, Matt Wilson,

TOPIC	ISSUE/CONCLUSION	ACTION/RECOMMENDATION	PARTY RESPONSIBLE
1. Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Call to Order• Introductions• Working Agreement • Announcements• Finalize Minutes	Welcome and Introductions were made. CPAW Working Agreements was reviewed. Office for Consumer Empowerment is currently accepting Spirit applications. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Concern was expressed that Michelle	Information	

	<p>Curran’s information presented last month regarding Helen Thompson was incorrect. An alternate depiction of Helen Thompson’s role regarding the Mental Health Services Act was presented.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More correct information regarding Senate Bill 585 will be provided when patient rights advocacy is brought up in future CPAW meetings. 	<p>Minutes approved. Will be posted on MHSA CPAW website.</p>	<p>Lisa Cabral to post minutes.</p>
<p>2. Behavioral Health Services Director’s Report</p>	<p>Meeting with the Director, Cynthia Belon and CPAW Steering Committee members was postponed due to illness. Warren Hayes provided a report on the following topics that had been identified to be of interest to the membership.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The status of filling key vacant positions, such as the newly created Behavioral Health Services Deputy Director position, was discussed. • Planning for the mental health staffing portion of the Miller Wellness Center is underway, while the Hope House is on schedule to be at full capacity. • The Electronic Mental Health Records System (EMR) is now called Epic Tapestry, and will be part of the County’s Health Care electronic records system. The budget is currently going forward to administration. 	<p>Reschedule meeting w/CPAW Steering committee members to talk with Cynthia Belon.</p> <p>Handout with positions and status provided.</p> <p>Handout with information provided.</p> <p>Handout provided. Members recommended that there be an opportunity for family members and consumers to provide input as the system is developed.</p>	<p>Warren Hayes</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>Warren Hayes to coordinate with EMR project lead for input and advisory opportunity.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Three Year Plan is tentatively set for the Board of Supervisors' agenda Tuesday, October 7. Resource Development Associates has facilitated the AB 1421 Planning Workgroup, with a report with recommendations to be heard on the same day. 	Handout provided. Representatives from the AB 1421 Workgroup thought the workgroup report would be heard September 23. This needs to be clarified.	Warren Hayes to verify when both items are on the agenda (October 7 was subsequently verified)
3. AB 1421 Planning Work Group Report	<p>CPAW and non-CPAW members who participated on the workgroup discussed their participation experiences. It was shared that they were tasked by the Board to develop recommendations to the Board for what services would best serve the target population of individuals with serious mental illness who had demonstrated resistance to accepting mental health treatment. They were to provide cost estimations for their recommendations, and to not identify potential funding sources. Assisted Outpatient Treatment and accompanying court costs were included in the recommendations. Both AB 1421 workgroup members and CPAW members expressed that they thought the scope of the workgroup was just to focus on whether to implement Laura's Law.</p> <p>Extensive discussion ensued. Both CPAW and non-CPAW members re-visited the arguments both for and against implementing Laura's Law. Concern was voiced as to the process by which this issue was introduced to</p>	Handout with information provided. Members inquired as to when the AB 1421 Planning Workgroup report would be made available for review and input.	Report to be released by the Behavioral Health Services Director when finalized.

	the stakeholder community, and the potential for divisiveness. When will the public see the report and recommendations before the Board of Supervisors vote?		
4. CPAW's Position Regarding Laura's Law	<p>See attached draft document regarding CPAW's position. Three amendments to the document were requested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Three Year Plan community program planning process was completed without considering the AB 1421 Workgroup information provided to CPAW today. This is because information was not provided to CPAW. In Home Intervention Teams and other potential services were not mentioned until today's report was given. Due to the above it is recommended that no MHSA funds be utilized for implementing Laura's Law or any other AB 1421 workgroup service recommendations. - One argument in favor of implementing Laura's Law is not listed, and that is that implementing Laura's Law saves lives. - Propose to add that implementation of Laura's Law in Contra Costa County only be considered upon completion of an inclusive community planning process in which all sides are properly represented, and a decision be made only when sustainable funding sources are found. 	Three amendments to be incorporated into the draft position paper.	Warren Hayes to make changes and provide for Steering Committee review and approval.

5. Break (flexibly applied)			
6. How does the stakeholder community find common ground regarding providing the right level of care to those who need it most?	Both sides of the issue of whether to implement Laura’s Law felt that the process to date had put them at a disadvantage in effectively articulating their positions and participating in a fair and equitable process to reach resolution.	All agreed that dividing stakeholders among themselves is to be avoided, and to work to ensure any future stakeholder participation be fair and inclusive.	Stakeholder leadership to work with mental health administration leadership on this issue.
7. What does CPAW do next regarding Laura’s Law?	<p>Motion put forth to have CPAW position document finalized to move forward with submission to mental health administration and the Board of Supervisors.</p> <p>Are CPAW members approving the adoption of this document with the mentioned amendments?</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CPAW in favor of changes: 15 CPAW not in favor of changes: 2 CPAW abstain: 0</p> <p>Would this group like to have a representative from CPAW attend the Board of Supervisors meeting and read this amended document?</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CPAW members in favor: 14 CPAW members not in favor: 1 CPAW members abstain: 1</p>	Bring recommendations to Steering Committee for submission to Behavioral Health Services Director and Board of Supervisors.	Steering Committee
8. Committee Reports	Membership	Committee reports were tabled until the October CPAW meeting due to lack of remaining time.	N/A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children’s • TAY • Adult • Older Adults • Housing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children’s’ • TAY • 		

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<p>9. Public Comment, Announcements</p>	<p>Hold off on Patient Rights discussion until the Patient Rights Advocate Program contract begins in October.</p> <p>Would like to have CPAW work on communication between everyone. Would like some education program around communication for both parties.</p>		
<p>10. Review of Meeting</p>	<p>Agenda Readiness Form (ARF) should be filled out from committees and brought to the Steering committee for review.</p>		
<p>11. Next CPAW, Steering, Membership Meetings</p>	<p>CPAW meeting is Thursday, October 2. Steering Meeting will be on September 18th. Membership Meeting will be on September 15th.</p>		