



California Association of Local Behavioral Health Boards and Commissions

CALBHB/C Newsletter, Summer 2021

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Vocational / Mental Health Services

CALBHB/C Teleconference

July 30, 10 am - 11:30 am

There is no fee to register.

Employment is a major therapeutic tool. Work improves quality of life & reduces symptoms in individuals with mild to moderate to severe mental illness.

[Invitation](#) [Registration](#)

Funding News: Historic Investment in Behavioral Health in CA 2021-22 Budget

CA Council of Community Behavioral Health Agencies (CBHA), County Behavioral Health Directors Association CA's (CBHDA) joint press release lists historic investments in behavioral Health through CA's 2021-22 Budget. Related CALBHB/C issue briefs and web pages are provided to aid in advising regarding these very important programs and resources.

Continuum of Care Infrastructure: \$2.2 billion

Children & Youth: ([Children & Youth Issue Brief](#) & [Transitional Age Youth Issue Brief](#))

Ages 0 - 25: \$4.4 billion over 5 years for a new & innovative behavioral health system
Integrated School-Based Mental Health: \$205 million in state and federal funds for the Mental Health Student Services Act (MHSSA) program.

Foster Youth: \$222 million in one-time funding to strengthen county efforts to prevent youth entering the foster care system, and \$138 million in one-time funding to help address complex needs of foster youth as an alternative to out-of-state placements

Workforce: ([Workforce Web Page](#))

\$800 million to expand the behavioral health workforce

Board & Cares: ([Board & Care Issue Brief](#))

\$805 million to address shortage of Board & Cares (Adult Residential Facilities or Residential Facilities for the Elderly) for individuals living on Social Security Income, including those with mental illnesses

Reducing Disparities: ([Cultural Issues Page](#))

63.1 Million for the CA Reducing Disparities Project

Grants

[Mental Health Wellness Grant Programs, CA Health Facilities Financing Authority \(CHFFA\):](#) There is currently \$22,584,573.39 available in Capital funding for Crisis Residential Treatment, Crisis Stabilization Unit, and Mobile Crisis Support Team programs and \$1,138,616.00 in Mobile Crisis Support Team personnel funding. Deadline: October 29, 2021

CALBHB/C Issue Briefs



[Board & Care \(ARF or RCFE\)](#)
[Children & Youth](#)
[Criminal Justice](#)
[Disaster Prep/Recovery](#)
[Employment](#)
[Older Adults](#)
[Performance Outcome Data](#)
[Transitional Age Youth](#) **NEW!**
[Suicide Prevention](#)

Full listing of issues (30+) at: www.calbhbc.org/newsissues Questions: cal@calbhbc.com

On-Line Events & Reports

Board & Cares

(Adult Residential Facilities (ARF) or Residential Facilities for the Elderly (RCFE))
[Listening Session for ARF Operators](#), CA Behavioral Health Planning Council Housing & Homelessness Committee, July 29, 9 am

CaAIM

[Health & Wellness Webinar on CaAIM 101](#), CSAC Finance Corporation, HealthNet, CA Health & Wellness, Institute for Local Government

Children & Youth

[Trauma Informed Practices in Schools:](#) Understanding Racial Trauma and Cultivating Wellness, SAMHSAThursday, July 22, 2021, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm PT

Crisis Care

[Scaling Up 988: On the Road to the Ideal Crisis System](#), SAMHSA, July 27

[Alternatives to Police Response for People in Mental Health Crisis](#), National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors, Recorded Webinar

Employment

[Supporting Youth Vocational Goals with Mental Health and Vocational Rehabilitation](#) Recorded Webinar

LGBTQ+

[Reducing LGBTQ+ Teen Suicidal Behavior](#) Article, Care for Your Mind

[Children & Youth Behavioral Health Initiative](#), DHCS BH-SAC, July 29, appr. 3:25 pm (part of larger agenda)

[“Ending the Silence: A Mental Health Program”](#) NAMI Presentation

[Addressing Youth Mental Health Needs in Schools](#), Mental Health America National Policy Institute

[Family Urgent Response System \(FURS\)](#) is a coordinated statewide, regional, and county-level system for Youth, Family and Caregivers in the Foster Care System

Continuum

[Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure](#), DHCS BH-SAC, July 29, appr. 1:40 pm as (part of larger agenda)

[Blueprint for Behavioral Health: A Vision for All Californians’ Behavioral Health](#), Behavioral Health CAAction Coalition
[35 Page PDF](#) & [Recorded Presentation](#)

Criminal Justice

[Reducing Homelessness for People with BH Needs Leaving Prisons & Jails](#), CA Council on Criminal Justice & Behavioral Health

[ACCESS CA’s Leadership Roundtable](#) for regional leaders to foster relationships, identify opportunities for cross collaboration, collect data, identify needs, July 28

[CA Ordered to Halt Prolonged Detention of Inmates with Mental Illnesses](#), Courthouse News Service, June 2021

Culture / Ethnicity / Race

[Access to Medi-Cal Mental Health](#) benefit for diverse consumers enrolled in a Medi-Cal managed care plan, CA Pan Ethnic Health Network (CPEHN), July 27, 11 am - 12 pm

[Strategies for Improving Care Provided to LGBTQI Communities](#), National Council for Mental Wellbeing, Recording

Medication

[Rediscovering Mental Health innovation: Emerging Psychedelic Therapies](#), The National Council, July 29, 9 am PT

Peer Support

[Medi-Cal Code of Ethics for Peer Support Specialists in CA](#), CA Department of Health Care Services, July 2021

Substance Use Disorder

[A Record 93,000 People Died from Drug Overdoses in the U.S. Last Year](#), National Public Radio

[Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics \(CCBHCs\)](#) are closing the mental health and substance use treatment gap. [Full report](#)

Suicide Prevention

[Suicide Prevention Summit](#), American Association of Suicidology, July 24 & 25

Telehealth

[Going Virtual: How 3 Young Adult Focused Projects Pivoted to Virtual Platforms](#), Transitions to Adult Center for Research

Trauma-Informed Care

[NumberStory.org](#): Healing & Prevention and the Science of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)

Veterans

[“Building Mental Wealth”](#), Use of Deep Arts Engagements as a Means of Achieving Wellness, Presentation

Workforce

[CCBHCs: Using Technology to Grow Your Team and Develop Your Staff](#) InnovaTel Telepsychiatry and Relias share how organizations can leverage technology to grow and develop their staff. Recorded Webinar

[BIPOC LGBTQ Peer Support Survey](#),
Mental Health America, Due July 31

[The Right to Heal](#): Centering Mental Health Multi-Racial Equity in CA, CPEHN, Southeast Asia Resource Action Center, CA Black Health Network, Latino Coalition for a Healthy CA, CA Consortium for Urban Indian Health, September 22, 10 am - 3 pm

Workplace Mental Health
[Workplace Mental Health Toolkit](#), American Psychiatric Association Foundation & Center for Workplace Mental Health

Legislative Advocacy

CALBHB/C leadership supports legislation and budget items in response to issues reported from CA's 59 local mental/behavioral health boards & commissions.

Join by writing to your legislators after reviewing "**Understanding Your Role**" below.

AB 32: Telehealth: Expanding Healthcare Accessibility [Sample Letter & Fact Sheet](#)

AB 552: Integrated School-Based Behavioral Health Partnership
[Sample Letter & Fact Sheet](#)

AB 988: Mental Health Crisis Support 988
[Sample Letter & Fact Sheet](#)

SB 224: Pupil instruction
[Sample Letter & Fact Sheet](#)

HR 432 / S. 828: Mental Health Access Advocacy (National Council for BH)

Understanding Your Role

As Individuals: Individuals can and should contact their legislators! Legislators especially appreciate hearing from residents within their districts.

As Advisory Bodies: Local mental/behavioral health boards/commissions are in an advisory role. In most counties, legislative advocacy is handled through the Board of Supervisors / Executive Office.

Visit our [legislative advocacy page](#) for more information and updates.

Resources for Boards/Commissions

[Conduct](#)
[Cultural Competence Handbooks](#)
[Member Orientation](#)
[Mental Health Services Act](#)

- Role of MHB/C
- Fiscal
- [Community Program Planning](#)

[News/Issues](#)

[Training: Modules](#)

- Duties
- Ethics Training
- Mental Health Services Act

[Training: Presentations/Recordings](#)

- Chair Training
- Performance Data & Fiscal Info
- Mental Health Board

[Performance Outcome Data](#)

[Recruitment](#)

[Templates/Sample Docs](#)

- Annual Reports
- Bylaws
- Member Orientation
- Recommendations
- Recruitment
- Site Visits
- *And More!*

- MHA Community Program Planning
- Unconscious Bias

[Welfare & Institutions Code](#)

- Bylaw Requirements
- Duties
- Expenses
- Membership Criteria
- MHA Community Planning

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Evaluate Us!

CALBHB/C is here to provide resources, support, training, communication and coordinate advocacy for statewide issues. We invite you to evaluate us by taking a few minutes to complete: [Evaluate CALBHB/C](#).

Report to Us!

Let us know your top issues and/or resource needs: [Report to CALBHB/C](#)

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