

MINUTES APPROVED 3/19/2015

MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

January 15, 2015

HEALTH SERVICES AGENCY, 1400 EMELINE AVE., BLDG K, ROOM 206
SANTA CRUZ, CA 95060

Present: Denise Ostlund, Cheryl Daniels, Sheryl Lee

Excused Absence: Maria Correia, John Laue, and Supervisor Ryan Coonerty

Unexcused Absence: Bill Lewis, Ann Andrews, Vanessa Ursina Kulman

1. c. Due to lack of quorum the meeting minutes for October 19, 2014 and December 18, 2014 cannot be approved.
2. a. Board of Supervisor's Report: Due to the term for Supervisor Neal Coonerty ending on 1/5/2015 and the term for Supervisor Ryan Coonerty beginning on 1/27/15, there is no Board of Supervisor's report.
b. Behavioral Health Director's report: Erik Riera gave an update of the PREP program funding for early adolescents, older adolescents and young adults (16-25 years) first psychiatric episodes. Marty Riggs, Behavioral Health Program Manager will oversee the team and hiring for the Mobile Crisis Program.
3. a. Adriana Bare, County Health Service Manager, and Chris Duarte, Billing Supervisor, gave an overview of the County billing processes and challenges of clients services. New Netsmart system anticipated to go live December 2015.
b. George Carvahlo, Advocacy Inc., gave an overview of the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act (LPS) and of the client advocates role as the hearing representative for patients' rights protection and advocacy at the Behavioral Center in Santa Cruz.
4. a. Continuing Board education: No action taken.
5. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

