

FY 2013-14 BHC Annual Report

Taskforce Report 6/5/14

Describe your areas of interest/passion relation to behavioral health

Commissioners Alsono and Grabhorn have submitted their report.

Describe BHC/DBH accomplishment(s) that occurred this year you are most proud of:

- *Improving patients' rights*
- *Progress of the Room & Board Coalition*
- *Highlight Mental Health Awareness Month activities*
- *Link LGBTQ organizations in the High Desert*
- *Collaborated with Sheriffs' Department to serve notices to businesses in San Bernardino County to halt the sale of synthetic drug*
- *Ongoing recognition of community members, agencies, consumers/family members, and county and contract staff for providing outstanding and culturally appropriate services to consumers and family members*
- *Recognition of consumer art and displaying in the Auditorium*
- *Tribute to Behavioral Health Commission, the late Gabriel Gonzales*
- *Partnership with NAMI*
- *San Bernardino County BHC is a member of CA Local Mental Health Boards & Commissions*

Describe how BHC has worked towards accomplishing FY 11-12 Goals & Objectives:

Increase and maintain community participation in the DAC meetings for behavioral health program planning, development and improvement.

Effective outreach and communication with schools, other behavioral health agencies, county departments, law enforcement and community members has significantly increased attendance at DAC meetings.

Increase awareness and knowledge of data and its use in reaching out to and meeting community needs.

BHC data workshops have been held that are advertised to DBH stakeholders and open to the public. The BHC reviews and comments on the county's performance outcome data and communicates its findings to the CMHPC.

Develop a Transitional Age Youth (TAY) taskforce.

Commissioner Veatrice Jews is the BHC liaison for the TAY taskforce.

Identify a strategy to promote behavioral health care as an integral part of health care reform

- *BHC is dedicated to reviewing and evaluating the community's mental health needs by conducting Program Visits*
- *Commissioners from SBC provide a voice in legislation. Commissioner Monica Wilson serves as Chair of the CA Mental Health Planning Council and Commissioner May Farr regularly attends*
- *The DBH Community Crisis Response Team has been linked with the hospitals in the High Desert*

Establish 2014-15 Goals & Objectives:

1. Increase and maintain community participation in the DAC meetings for behavioral health program planning, development and improvement.
2. Narrow focus of the BHC Education Committee
3. Increase BHC membership

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