

Department of Mental Health (DMH) Updates for the BHC Executive Committee Meeting (March 27, 2025)

- **Report Response**: The following reports were submitted by DMH in February 2025.
 - **Report Response on Implementing Lanterman-Petris-Short Act Reform (Item No. 66A, Agenda of October 17, 2023) [Link](#)**
 - This report provides the biannual update on implementing the LPS Act Reform (Senate Bill 43).
 - Highlights:
 - SB43 Implementation Workgroups were restructured for functionality and continue to meet regularly.
 - The LPS Designation and Training Workgroup created a document to operationalize trainings and start the SB 43 training scripts for the online training.
 - The Communications, Education and Collaboration Workgroup developed a draft webpage and informational/educational materials
 - All SB 43 workgroups are in the process of developing milestones of key high-level deliverables.
 - DMH, the Office of Public Guardian, and the Department of Public Health-Substance Abuse and Prevention Control (DPH-SAPC) continue to participate in the County Behavioral Health Directors Association (CBHDA) and California Association of Public Administrators, Public Guardians, and Public Conservators (CAPAGPC) focused on SB 43 implementation to ensure reasonable consistency across the State.
 - **Annual Report to the Board for Expanding Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) and Probate Conservatorship Capacity in LA County (Item 9, Agenda of August 8, 2017) [Link](#)**
 - This is the sixth annual report from the Office of Public Guardian (OPG) providing annual reports to the Board on conservatorships. It includes data for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-2024.
 - Highlights:
 - Number of OPG clients placed in conservatorship: Probate-65; Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS)-347 new and 1,662 reappointed.
 - Referrals Accepted and Investigated: 99% Probate (~1,603) and 99% LPS (~1,015).
 - 11,048 OPG client visits conducted in FY 2023-2024.
 - 549 LPS conservatorships were terminated in the reporting period.
 - Additional data includes information regarding OPG clients in locked facilities, average length of stays, wait times for transfer to higher acuity placements and receiving specialty mental health services (inc. Full-Service Partnership and Outpatient Programs).

- **Report on the Progress of Implementing a Department of Mental Health Community Based Incubation Academy (Item 3, Agenda of February 5, 2019).** [Link](#)
 - This report provides an update from the last report up to January 2025.
 - Provided an update on implementation progress and additional project targets identified since the previous report, including, but not limited to, extending the contract with Community Partners to continue the Incubation Academy for an additional two years (FY 2024-25; FY2025-26), developed an Alumni Track for FY2024-25 to participate in peer learning events, continued with the training curriculum, meet with incubation CBOs individually, held quarterly meetings.

- **Report on Educating Youth About the School Threat Assessment Response Team, Bi-Annual Report (Item 24, Agenda of July 26, 2022)** [Link](#)
 - This report provides information on trainings, referrals, interventions, and post interventions by START during the period of July 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024.
 - Highlights:
 - Conducted 41 presentations/trainings to various schools/ school districts, community organizations, County departments, law enforcement and other entities.
 - Received 499 referrals for early screenings and threat assessments.
 - Types of post interventions include crisis intervention, initial screening/assessments, outreach & engagement, monitoring, supportive services, consultations, and linkages.

- **Motions:**
In February 2025, the motions below were approved by the Board with reports to be submitted by DMH.

Preparing for the Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program Round 2 Funding (Item 9, Agenda of February 4, 2025)

Purpose: For the County to be well prepared to submit project applications for BHCIP Rd 2

Continuing to Incentivize and Expedite Hiring for Los Angeles County’s Alternative Crisis Response Programs (Item 10, Agenda of February 4, 2025)

Purpose: To develop a plan to maintain current hiring/recruitment/retention initiatives and implement new strategies to fill the remaining vacant positions in the Field Intervention Teams/ACR positions.

Evaluating the First Year of Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment Act Court in Los Angeles County (Revised Item 5, Agenda of February 11, 2025)

Purpose: To provide an analysis of the first year of the CARE Court program including data/metrics collected, staffing, outreach/public awareness efforts, challenges, opportunities, and future funding.