CULTURAL COMPETENCY REDUCING DISPARITIES (CCRD) COMMITTEE

January 12, 2022
Meeting Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Alfred Thompson, Administrative Services Assistant, RUHS-BH
April Gillis, Healthy Heritage
Aurelio Sanchez LCSW CTII, Veteran’s Services Liaison
Carlos Lamadrid, Outreach and Engagement Coordinator, RUHS-BH
Carolina Bojorquez, Administrative Services Manager, PEI, RUHS-BH
Chris Galindo, Family Advocate, TakeMyHand Operator
Dakota Brown, Peer Support Specialist, Help@Hand, RUHS-BH
Diana Gutierrez, Administrative Services Manager, PEI, RUHS-BH
Dr. Ernelyn Navarro, Cultural Liaison, Asian/Pacific Islander Community
Dr. Pierre Scott, Staff Development Officer, MHSA, RUHS-BH
Eman Hassan, MENA Co-Chair
Eva Zamora, Education and Outreach, Inland Caregiver Resource Center
Ernest Fenelon Jr, MENA Co-Chair
Glenis Ulloa, Senior Parent Partner, RUHS-BH, Cultural Competency
Glenn Moriarity, Lead Advocate, Center of Deafness Inland Empire
Hashim Moosani, MENA Co-Chair
Hazel Lambert, Cultural Liaison, African American Community
Hihanni Waste, Celebrating Families, RSBCIHI
Jose Solorzano, IEHP
Julie Andrews LCSW, RSBCIHI Celebrating Families
Kevin Phalavisay, Cultural Liaison, LGBTQ+ Community
Linda Hart, African American Health Coalition
Luz Negron, Parent Support, RUHS-BH

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marco Juarez, Prevention Educator, RSBCIHI
Maimona Naveed, UCR Student, MENA Co-Chair
Marisol Pilotin, Community Health Representative, IEHP
Melissa Vasquez, Senior Peer Support, RUHS-BH
Michael Angulo, Behavior Health Specialist III, RUHS-BH
Mila Banks, Coordinator, PVFAA, FAMHRC
Rahel Postovoi, Cultural Liaison, Deaf and Hard of Hearing
Ranya Oubeid, UCR Student, Co-Chair
Reverend Benita Ramsey, Cultural Liaison, Spirituality Community
Riba Eshandsada, Cultural Liaison, MENA Community
Sean Milanovich, Cultural Liaison, Native American Community
Selena Lomeli, Connect IE Outreach Coordinator, Inland SoCal United Way
Selenne Contreras, Office Assistant III, Cultural Competency, RUHS-BH
Shirley Guzman, Cultural Liaison, Latino/Latina Community
Sonja Baya, MENA Co-Chair
Stephy Quiroz, Family Wellness Facilitator, Reach Out
Sylvia Bishop, Secretary, Cultural Competency, RUHS-BH
Tabari Zahir, MENA Co-Chair
Tala Soukieh, UCR Student, Co-Chair
Taide Arias, Staff Development Officer, WET, RUHS-BH
Tondra Hill, Social Services Planner, RUHS-Plan
Toni Robinson, Program Manager, Cultural Competency, RUHS-BH
Vanessa R, Menas y Bebes Program

GUESTS PRESENT:

Phil, ASL Interpreter, RISE Interpreting
Jonathan F, ASL Interpreter, RISE Interpreting

ITEM | DISCUSSION | ACTION
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I. CALL TO ORDER | Toni Robinson called the meeting to order at 9:02am | 

II. MEETING MINUTES | The committee reviewed meeting minutes for December 8, 2021 | Riba moved to approve. Shirley second motion

III. WELCOMING LIAISONS | Toni introduced the cultural community liaison for the deaf and hard of hearing community. Rachel Postovoi started in the social work field wanting to uplift the community Rachel also has experience in clinical work. She is a big advocate for mindfulness, health and has a passion for people. She is looking forward to the teamwork and the different partnerships. She recognized the overlaps and the collaboration that’s needed for growth. | 

IV. MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT (MHSA) | David presented on the MHSA (Mental Health Services Act) Annual Update for the fiscal year 22/23. David went over MHSA is, the stakeholder process, and MHSA’s 5 components: Community Services and Supports, Prevention and Early Intervention, Innovation, Workforce Education and Training, Capital Facilities and Technology. The public posting of the MHSA Plan is on April 30th and May is when the Public Hearing will be taking place. All written and verbal comments are documented. The comments are then reviewed by the Behavioral Health Commission. | Selenne to send out the feedback forms with the announcement to the CCRD members.
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## Toni highlighted the on boarding of the 9 cultural community liaisons and each will be creating subcommittees in order to get feedback on community needs. In addition, the liaisons will educate the service system to meet the needs of the identified populations. Cultural Competency has been approved to hire 2 Peer Support Specialist to have the peer voice and input.

Diana highlighted some of the accomplishments made such as the Mental Health Wellness Kits offered to the community and a calendar with activities for May is mental health month. PEI also offers free virtual trainings every month. “Mamas Y Bebes” program is now being offered in the Desert Region.

For PEI’s Each Mind Matters outreach tools email or call at: PEI@ruhealth.org (951)955-3448

Some of the new Capital Facilities and Technology projects in the works are Riverside Safehaven Renovation, MH Rehabilitation Center Expansion, and the Restorative Transformation Center. In addition the Roy’s Desert Oasis and Arlington Recovery Community is now open.

Due to COVID-19 the public hearing was composed of videos in English, Spanish and ASL. It was made available via DVDs which included a MHSA Plan Feedback voicemail number. For 2022 there is a potential hybrid public hearing that may be taking place.

David and Toni encouraged everyone to submit feedback as feedback is accepted all year round.

The MHSA Plan Update is available here: [https://www.rcdmh.org/MHSA/MHSA-Plan-Update](https://www.rcdmh.org/MHSA/MHSA-Plan-Update)

Luz Negron asked Toni if a new program will be created to victims of Human Trafficking. Toni announced that it will still be a Brave Resilient Youth Program but it will no longer be funded by Innovations. It will create better access by training people all over the county in order to reach more youth. The training will be open to those who are interested to better deal with the population.

Sean Milanovich asked if the update will have a land acknowledgement recognizing the indigenous people of the land. David answered that it has not been traditionally been included in the plan. Sean would like to see space that identifies the people of the land and the original caretakers of the land. He would also like to see that not only the land be taken into consideration but all beings. Sean would like to work on the land acknowledgement. David suggested there may be a way to highlight the image of the land acknowledgement on the MHSA plan.

Sean suggested to define the word stakeholder in the MHSA plan.

### V. LIAISON UPDATES

Dakota Brown announced that many of the disabilities organizations have gathered together to send an official CDC correspondence to have people with disabilities as an official population group. The committee has been outreaching disability support organization. Have met with the Community Access

Toni, Carlos and Sean in talks of having a land acknowledgement in the Cultural Competency plan.

Toni and David to get together with Sean regarding on what the land acknowledgement in the MHSA plan would look like.
Center (CAC), United Cerebral Palsy Inland Empire (UCPIE), Inland Empire Disability Collaborative (IEDC) to build a stakeholder registry, marketing materials for recruitment and creating disability etiquette training.

Riba has been working with the community to attain members and co-chairs for the MENA Committee. She plans on changing the name of the committee to something more inclusive. Riba did a brief presentation on MHSA, resources and what the county provides to those interested in joining the subcommittee. She is hopeful more members will join. She introduced the co-chairs of the MENA Committee: Maimoona Naveed, Hashim Moosani, Tala Soukieh, Ranya Oubeid, Sonya Baya, Eman Hassan, Ernest Fenelon Jr and Tabari Zahir.

Shirley has been working on putting a subcommittee together. She is also putting together a LEAD group. She is currently working with Riverside County of Education and has been in touch with congressman Raul Ruiz to get some leads for the LEAD project.

Hazel has been working with various people doing one on one meetings to talk about AAFWAG and has attended events to promote AAFWAG. She is currently involved in the planning for the “Black Man Made Well” event taking place in February.

Sean is working on developing the subcommittee, working on a mission statement, and also a land acknowledgement for the county. Additionally, he has been working on developing trainings on the treaty of Temecula, do’s and don’ts in Native county, and cultural history of the area. He also met with Raul Ruiz to talk about the current issues surrounding the community.

Dr. Ernelyn gave her update on the Riverside Lunar New Year which AATF will be represented via sponsorship. AATF will be supporting the booth by acquiring volunteers to work the booth. IEHP’s booth will be close by and have joined AATF to collaborate on what they can promote. She is also working with UCR to collaborate with the AAPI students of UCR in addressing mental health. Dr. Ernelyn followed up with Rachel regarding ASL in different Asian languages.

Kevin announced CAGSI now has a co-chair, Angela Olivares, and David will also be speaking about the MHSA plan in the next CAGSI meeting. Kevin has been mostly been doing one on ones with organizations—especially in the desert region. He has also been part of some planning committees and doing workshops.

Benita has been working on an interfaith forum focused on how their faith has helped them be resilient in difficult times where people from different spiritual groups will be attending. Has joined a group where they will be developing a spiritual wellness toolkit.

Kevin to send out a google survey to gage what people would like to see in CAGSI.
Rachel has been networking and navigating the community. She has been working with the executives of different organizations to see who will be the best to join the committee. Additionally, she is working on getting the interface of the community and the county.

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| - January 18 | 9:30am-11:30am Inland Empire Disabilities virtual meeting [https://www.iedisabilties.org/](https://www.iedisabilties.org/)
| - 1/18 & 1/25 Self-Care for the Professional-no CEs and 3/3 42 CFR Part 2-Legal Update | to register go to: [https://www.rcdmh.org/wet](https://www.rcdmh.org/wet) | to be added to the distribution list, contact Manuel Pondivida at MPondivida@ruhealth.org |

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