

Humboldt County Behavioral Health Board (BHB)
Substance Use Disorder (SUD)/ Dual Recovery (DR) Committee Minutes
September 11, 2025
2:30 P.M. to 3:30 P.M.

Present at meeting:			
Danette Kellerman	Humboldt Conflict Counsel	Deanna Bay	Humboldt County SUD Administrator
Melissa Nelson	Aegis Treatment Centers	Beth Jansen	DHHS Public Health, NorCAP
Michelle Thomas	DHHS-BH	Laurel Johnson	DHHS Admin
Nelia Green-Goodwin	Humboldt County DHHS- Social Services	Laura Montagna	CSET, Eureka PD
Raphael DiCaprio	St. Joseph Hospital, Redwood Memorial Hospital	Keri	Redwood Recovery Center
Marguerite Story-Baker	BHB, community member	Kristen Smith	DHHS Public Health, NorCAP
Michelle Kaufmann	SoHum Health	Ana Sophia	

I. Call to Order	2:33pm	ACTION	PERSON/ DATE
II. Introductions	Introductions were made.		
III. Approval of Agenda			
IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes	There was no meeting in August.		

<p>V. Action Items</p>	<p>No update on TAY/ ATP flyer</p> <p>Humboldt Bay Fire’s resource card</p>	<p>ATP and TAY to collaborate on youth services</p> <p>Completed</p>	<p>David and Deanna</p> <p>Committee members</p>
<p>VI. Announcements</p>	<p>A type of Fentanyl (“The New Blue”) is present in the county that Narcan is not effective against.</p> <p>Overdose statistics were shared with committee. The Live Well Humboldt Dashboard is a useful tool for information on overdoses and substance use disorder in the community.</p> <p>Recovery Happens event is September 13th</p> <p>Mad River Detox Center is in development. It will be a collaboration between Humboldt County, Cal Poly Humboldt, and Mad River Community Hospital.</p> <p>There is a California Consortium of Addiction Programs and Professionals (CCAPP) billboard in Eureka advertising for becoming an Alcohol and Drug Counselor. There are new education/ certification requirements for substance use counselors. It can now be a major for AA/BA/ and MA degrees.</p>		
<p>VII. Discussion: Program Presentations</p> <p>A. Questions about New Life Discovery Project</p> <p>B. General Discussion</p>	<p>A. Committee discussed questions for New Life Discovery Project.</p> <p>B. Committee briefly looked at the Live Well Humboldt Dashboard. Fentanyl is the #1 substance for overdoses in Humboldt County with age groups being Males 40-49</p>	<p>Patrick Hoffman Sobering Center Presentation to present at October meeting</p>	<p>Raphael and Co-founder</p>

	<p>and females 30-39. There was interest in having the Epidemiologist sharing the LiveWell Data to group.</p> <p>Marguerite suggested a documentary by Dr. Sanjay Gupta “It Doesn’t Have to Hurt” which is about pain management.</p> <p>Raphael shared updates on the Patrick Hoffman Sobering Center in Eureka. It will have a 3.2 Social Model Detox level of care and a sobering station. The sobering station is anticipated to open October 15th. At the time of opening there will be a 4 bed/day capacity.</p>		
VIII. Adjournment	3:30pm		
IX. Next Meeting date:	Next meeting is October 9 th , 2025 2:30-3:30 PM via Audio/ Video Conference		

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