

# County Behavioral Health MHSA Boot Camp



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Dear MHSA Boot Camp Attendees,

Welcome to the Second Annual County Behavioral Health MHSA Boot Camp. The Boot Camp is a collaboration of CIBHS, CBHDA and DHCS! We had a successful convening last year and we are grateful that we are here again to celebrate your work, learn from each other, and make new connections. We look forward to spending the next two days with you.

The County Behavioral Health MHSA Boot Camp Planning Committee has worked diligently to bring together the foremost experts in the field to give you the latest information on MHSA policy and practice. In addition, we have also created breakout sessions to bring you successful MHSA programs to highlight what various counties are doing to reach out to underserved and specific populations. Please use our time together to get answers to the tough questions you face back home and get to know the people you can call on for information and support. Our agenda reflects the complexity of demands you face every day, and it is our intention to provide the information you need to be successful in your work related to MHSA.

We thank you for your participation in the Boot Camp and the hard work that you do every day to create opportunities for those seeking help to lead meaningful lives.

Again, welcome!

Percy Howard III, LCSW  
CIBHS President & CEO

## Tuesday, April 23, 2019

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- 8:00AM – 4:00PM **REGISTRATION** ..... *Capitol Salon B/C*
- 8:00AM – 9:00AM **CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST** ..... *Capitol Salon B/C*
- 9:00AM – 9:15AM **WELCOME & OVERVIEW** ..... *Capitol Salon B/C*
- Brenda Grealish**, Acting Deputy Director, Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services,  
California Department of Health Care Services
- Master of Ceremonies**
- Ahmadreza Bahrami, MBA**, Division Manager Public Behavioral Health, Ethnic Services Manager,  
Fresno County Department of Behavioral Health
- Tracy Hazelton, MPH**, Division Director, MHSA, Alameda County
- 9:15AM – 10:30AM **PEI TODAY, CHANGES, IMPLICATIONS, & OPPORTUNITIES: LEGISLATIVE UPDATE** ..... *Capitol Salon B/C*
- Robb Layne**, Director, External Affairs and Communication, County Behavioral Health Directors  
Association of California
- Each year the California legislature votes on, authors and approves bills related to the Mental Health Services and Accountability Act (MHSA). While this landmark proposition was a ballot measure approved in 2004, changes are made regularly through legislation. This presentation will review how to evaluate proposed legislation and discuss operationalizing SB 1004, SB 192, SB 688 and other recently enacted laws from the 2017-18 session.
- MEASUREMENTS, OUTCOMES, & QUALITY ASSESSMENTS (MOQA)**
- Samantha Spangler, PhD**, Director of Evaluation and Research, California Institute for Behavioral Health Solutions
- MOQA (Measurements, Outcomes, and Quality Assessment) is a county-driven, DHCS-supported effort to improve statewide reporting on outcomes resulting from programs supported through Mental Health Services Act (MHSA, Prop 63) funds. CIBHS supports DHCS and California counties in designing measures, creating tools, collecting data, and building reports in a consistent fashion across the state. Previous MOQA initiatives focused on reporting Full Service Partnership outcomes. The current MOQA initiative is focused on data collection for Suicide Prevention (SPP) and Stigma and Discrimination Reduction (SDR) programs. We are piloting SPP and SDR data collection protocols from January 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019 to understand the best way to collect SPP and SDR data and identify and overcome common challenges with collecting that data. Data collected during the pilot period will be used to design and build reports in early Fiscal Year 19-20 and feedback received during the pilot period will be used to create comprehensive data collection guidelines and refine the MOQA data collection tools. This presentation will share information on the current MOQA initiative, how to participate, and what we've learned during the pilot period so far.
- 10:30AM – 10:45AM **BREAK**

## Tuesday, April 23, 2019, continued

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10:45AM – 11:45AM **BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

**SESSION A** ..... *Sacramento*  
**NUTS & BOLTS: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT PEI FROM BEGINNING TO END**

**Debbie Innes-Gomberg, PhD**, Deputy Director, Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health

The presentation will provide a brief overview of the original PEI Guidelines issued by the state, a comprehensive overview of each PEI component as defined in the PEI regulations, along with outcome metrics associated with each component and demographic data requirement. An overview of statewide projects, including CalMHSA investments and the CIBHS-CBHDA MOQA 3 initiative, will be presented. We will conclude with a discussion on potential future directions for prevention.

**SESSION B** ..... *Capitol Salon B/C*  
**VETERANS OUTREACH PROGRAM SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY**

**Frank Warren, MPP**, Division Manager, Prevention & Outreach, MHSA Coordinator, Behavioral Health Department, San Luis Obispo County Health Agency

**Breanne Salmon, LMFT**, Prevention and Outreach Division, Behavioral Health Department, San Luis Obispo County Health Agency

The County of San Luis Obispo's Veterans Outreach Program was originally piloted as an Innovation and is now an integral part of the community's CSS and PEI work plans. In this presentation MHSA Coordinator Frank Warren will discuss how the program emerged from stakeholder concept, to community design, to sustained strategy. He will be joined by Breanne Salmon, LMFT, the program's clinician, who will describe the direct services being provided, and the program's expansion to include a Veterans Treatment Court.



CIBHS has invited you to use the CIBHS Yapp App at this event. Your invitation is in this URL:

<https://my.yapp.us/5FN4EN>.

If you do not already have the Yapp on your iPhone or Android mobile device, you'll be directed to your app store to download the Yapp container app. Once the Yapp is downloaded, open it, tap the "Download an Existing App" button. Or you may be prompted to put this information into the screen: **5FN4EN**. For those who don't have an iOS or Android mobile device, just click on this link in your computer's browser, <https://my.yapp.us/5FN4EN>, and the app will open in read only mode.

Tuesday, April 23, 2019, continued

11:45AM – 1:00PM LUNCH (included with registration) ..... Capitol B/C

1:00PM – 1:45PM BREAKOUT SESSIONS

SESSION C ..... Capitol Salon B/C  
INNOVATION PROJECT SUBMISSION PROCESS: A TOOLKIT FOR COUNTIES

Dr. Sharmil Shah, PsyD, Chief, Program Operations, Mental Health Services Oversight & Accountability Commission (MHSOAC)

Grace Reedy, Health Program Specialist II, Innovations Team, Mental Health Services Oversight & Accountability Commission (MHSOAC)

The MHSOAC controls funding approval for the Innovation (INN) component of the MHS A. The goal of Innovation is to increase access to underserved groups, increase the quality of services, promote interagency collaboration and increase access to services, including but not limited to, services provided through permanent supportive housing. Counties select one or more goals and use those goals as the primary priority or priorities for their proposed Innovation plan. This toolkit was developed with several volunteer counties in an effort to improve and streamline the overall process of Innovation at both the staff and county levels.

The Toolkit is composed of the following documents:

- **Innovation Framework Decision Tree** - this form provides information and guidance to use the framework on how to design on Innovative Project.
- **MHSOAC Innovation Review Process** - this form is a high-level visual of what the process should look like to provide transparency for the counties and work flow with MHSOAC.
- **Innovative Project Plan Recommended Template** – the completion of this document will assist the counties to ensure that the minimum requirements are met, as required by law and/or regulations.
- **Commission Meeting Recommendations** – this tool is to assist counties when presenting their Innovation projects to the Commission.

This toolkit provides clarification and transparency on the Innovation Project Submission Process to the Commission.

SESSION D ..... Sacramento  
TRAUMA RESILIENT COMMUNITIES: COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING  
AN INNOVATION PROGRAM, LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Debbie Innes-Gomberg, PhD, Deputy Director, Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health

A 4-year prevention-focused Innovation project will be presented, focused on asset-based community capacity building and trauma prevention utilizing key service strategies. The concepts of Adverse Childhood Experiences, the Social Determinants of Health and Adverse Community Experiences will be discussed in relation to the project and the evaluation protocol and measures will be presented.

1:45PM – 2:00PM BREAK



## Tuesday, April 23, 2019, continued

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2:00PM – 3:00PM

**PEI/INN: DISCUSSION WITH MHSOAC ON RECENT CHANGES AFFECTING PEI & INN** ..... *Capitol Salon B/C*

**Toby Ewing, PhD**, Executive Director, Mental Health Services Oversight & Accountability Commission (MHSOAC)

Executive Director, Toby Ewing, will provide an overview of the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission, including current work on Innovation, Prevention and Early Intervention, School Mental Health, and Fiscal Accountability and Transparency tools. The presentation will highlight the Commission's emphasis on ways to support county engagement, collaborative learning and capacity building at the local and community level.

3:00PM – 4:00PM

**NO PLACE LIKE HOME PROGRAM** ..... *Capitol Salon B/C*

**Christina DiFrancesco**, Program Specialist, CA Department of Housing and Community Development (CA HCD)

The No Place Like Home (NPLH) Program will provide up to \$2 billion for the development of permanent supportive rental housing for persons living with serious mental illness who are Chronically Homeless, Homeless, or At-Risk of Chronic Homelessness. This session will provide a brief overview of the NPLH program and program activities to date, as well as discuss program implementation issues of particular concern to small counties, and counties applying for NPLH funds for the first time.

4:00PM

**NETWORKING EVENT** ..... *Capitol Salon A*

**Wednesday, April 24, 2019**

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8:00AM – 3:30PM	<b>REGISTRATION</b> ..... <i>Capitol Salon B/C</i>
8:00AM – 9:00AM	<b>CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST</b> ..... <i>Capitol Salon B/C</i>
8:30AM – 8:45AM	<b>WELCOME</b> ..... <i>Capitol Salon B/C</i>
	<b>Master of Ceremonies</b>
	<b>Ahmadreza Bahrami, MBA</b> , Division Manager Public Behavioral Health, Ethnic Services Manager, Fresno County Department of Behavioral Health
8:45AM – 10:00AM	<b>MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT PROGRAM          REVIEW: COUNTY TO COUNTY SHARING</b> ..... <i>Capitol Salon B/C</i>
	<b>Lynn Rumfelt</b> , Sr. Analyst, Quality Assurance, Mariposa County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services
	<b>Laura Glenn</b> , Staff Services Analyst, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services, Mariposa County Health & Human Services Agency
	<b>Frank Warren, MPP</b> , Division Manager, Prevention & Outreach, MHSA Coordinator, Behavioral Health Department, San Luis Obispo County Health Agency
	The panel will provide information and experiences based on recent MHSA Triennial Reviews conducted by DHCS. Coordinators will describe their planning process, share tips, and discuss findings.
10:00AM – 11:00AM	<b>MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT FISCAL CHANGES &amp; IMPLICATIONS</b> ..... <i>Capitol Salon B/C</i>
	<b>Michael R. Geiss</b> , President, Geiss Consulting
	This presentation will provide a discussion of current MHSA fiscal issues including the recent limit placed on prudent reserves, forecasting future Mental Health Services Act revenues and distributions, recommended MHSA reserve levels, requirements for the use of MHSA funding at the local level, and reversion of MHSA funds.
11:00AM – 11:15AM	<b>BREAK</b>
11:15AM – 12:00PM	<b>DHCS: MHSA PROGRAM OVERSIGHT</b> ..... <i>Capitol Salon B/C</i>
	<b>Diane Christensen</b> , Unit Chief of MHSA Program Oversight, Department of Health Care Services
	<b>Fiona Castleton</b> , Program Specialist, Department of Health Care Services
	Representatives from the Department of Health Care Services MHSA Oversight team will provide a brief overview of the implementation of the expanded MHSA program review, including the process, trends, and observations to date.
12:00PM – 1:00PM	<b>LUNCH (Included with registration)</b> ..... <i>Capitol B/C</i>

## Wednesday, April 24, 2019, continued

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1:00PM – 2:00PM

**NUTS & BOLTS: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT CSS  
FROM BEGINNING TO END.....**

*Capitol Salon B/C*

**Kiran Sahota, MA**, Senior Program Manager, Ventura County

**Sharon Ishikawa, PhD**, MHSA Coordinator, Orange County Health Care Agency

**Camy Rightmier**, MHSA Coordinator, Siskiyou County Health & Human Services Agency (HHSA), Behavioral Health Division

Panel will review the four main sections of MHSA's Community Services and Supports which include Outreach and Engagement, General System Development, Housing and Full Service Partnership services. Information and discussion will include an overview of services and populations serviced by each of the components, funding allocations and guidelines and the importance of Community Partnership Planning (CPP) and stakeholder and community involvement. Panelists will share challenges and perspectives from small, medium and large counties when implementing programs and services under these sections.

2:00PM – 2:15PM

**BREAK**

2:15PM – 3:15PM

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

**SESSION E .....  
FULL SERVICES PARTNERSHIPS: WHERE WE HAVE BEEN AND  
WHERE ARE WE ARE GOING**

*Capitol Salon B/C*

**Lindsay Walter, JD**, Deputy Director of Operations and Administration, Santa Barbara Department of Behavioral Wellness

**Kiran Sahota, MA**, Senior Program Manager, Ventura County

**Camy Rightmier**, MHSA Coordinator, Siskiyou County Health & Human Services Agency (HHSA), Behavioral Health Division

Full Service Partnership (FSP) is a service category funded through the Community Services and Supports component of MHSA. The service provides that Counties, in collaboration with the client, and when appropriate the client's family, plan for and provide the full spectrum of community services so that children and youth, transition age youth, adults and older adults can achieve the identified goals in their Individual Services and Supports Plan (ISSP). Services are culturally competent, client driven and use the "whatever it takes" philosophy.

Discussion will include topics such as criteria used to determine FSP, County guidelines for providing the intensive FSP specific services, reporting those services and outcomes in the State BHIS System (previously the Data Collection Reporting tool (DCR)) as well as funding requirements and flexible funding as it pertains to the "full spectrum of Community Services" and non-traditional mental health services and supports. Panel will also review challenges in the program and steps moving forward including a statewide Innovations project for FSP Outcomes.





## Wednesday, April 24, 2019, continued

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2:15PM – 3:15PM

**BREAKOUT SESSIONS, CONTINUED**

**SESSION F ..... Sacramento**  
**MOBILE SUPPORT TEAM: A CSS PROGRAM IN AMADOR COUNTY**

**Stephanie Hess**, MHSA Coordinator, Amador County Behavioral Health  
**Nenad Stojic, LCSW**, Crisis Counselor, Mobile Support Team, Amador County Behavioral Health  
**Linda Crabtree**, Peer Personal Service Coordinator, Mobile Support Team, Amador County Behavioral Health

The Amador County Mobile Support Team, created in 2015, is a unique alternative to address extensive feedback regarding the need for increased crisis stabilization and support. The team was developed with stakeholder input to utilize a full-time mental health clinician and a full-time peer advocate to provide field-based services to prevent hospitalization, re-hospitalization and offer other crisis support. This session will provide an overview of the program, funding used to support the program, lessons learned and considerations for other rural communities looking for creative ways to address mental health crisis.

3:15PM – 3:30PM

**CLOSING REMARKS ..... Capitol Salon B/C**

**Master of Ceremonies**  
**Ahmadreza Bahrami, MBA**, Division Manager Public Behavioral Health, Ethnic Services Manager, Fresno County Department of Behavioral Health

## SPEAKERS' BIOGRAPHIES

**AHMADREZA BAHRAMI, MBA**, has worked in County Behavioral Health for close to a decade in leadership roles. His assignments/roles have included, Administrative work, Prevention and Early Intervention, Ethnic Services Manager, MHA Coordinator, Public Information Officer, Marketing, to name a few. Ahmad has been involved at the state and regional level with things such as cultural humility and reducing disparities, development of plans, programs, education/student mental health, truancy prevention, suicide prevention, etc.

Prior to his work in county behavioral health, Ahmad had worked with various community-based providers as both a direct service provider and in leadership roles. His experience outside of county behavioral health has included criminal justice settings, community public health, substance use, and workforce development.

Ahmad's educational background includes a BS in Criminology, an MBA with an HR emphasis, and post graduate work in Organizational Development.

**FIONA CASTLETON** is a Program Specialist with the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), serving as a lead on the Mental Health Services Act Program Oversight team. Fiona completed her M.A. in Health Economics at the University of Aberdeen in Scotland, before returning to her native Northern California. Fiona has five years' experience in state civil service, during which time she has worked for the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) administering programs that provide scholarships and loan forgiveness to health students and clinicians from underserved areas, and most recently with the DHCS Office of the Medical Director working in healthcare system transformation and quality improvement with California's public and district hospitals. Prior to state service, Fiona conducted public health and telehealth policy research with the Center for Connected Health Policy and worked with Alchemist Community Development, connecting CalFresh recipients with community resources and providing health education.

**DIANE CHRISTENSEN** – Unit Chief of MHA Program Oversight at Department of Health Care Services. Directed multi-team collaborative design for county MHA Program Reviews, including pilot programs with full implementation January, 2019. Previous Director of Quality Management for a local hospital providing oversight responsibility of all regulatory body surveys, The Joint Commission, State Licensing Review and CMS validation Surveys. Member of the hospital

Board of Directors, the Medical Executive Committee, Quality Council and Ethics Committee.

**LINDA CRABTREE**, Peer Personal Service Coordinator/ Mobile Support team; Amador County Behavioral Health (ACBH). Linda has been with the county since 2015 providing case management and client/family advocate services to ACBH clients. Linda is a WRAP certified facilitator and certified anger management counselor. Prior to her position with the county Linda was Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence counselor, as well as Safe House Coordinator for Operation Care.

**CHRISTINA DIFRANCESCO** is a Program Specialist with the CA Department of Housing and Community Development, (CA HCD). Christina has been with the Department for 18 years, and currently works in the Division of Financial Assistance Program Design and Development Unit. Prior to joining CA HCD, Christina worked for Housing California, a statewide advocacy organization on affordable housing and homelessness issues, and HomeBase, the Center for Common Concerns, a technical assistance provider on homelessness issues located in the Bay Area.

**TOBY EWING, PhD**, is the Executive Director of the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission, the state agency that oversees mental health services in California.

In his four years with the Commission, Toby led efforts to launch California's first Mental Health Innovation Summit, with support from federal, state and local mental health leaders, as well as foundations and the private sector and is now working to launch an innovation incubator to provide ongoing support to mental health innovation. The Commission has launched a transparency platform to provide valid and reliable information on mental health funding, services and outcomes. In 2019 the Commission will develop a statewide strategy on mental health prevention and early intervention, a separate initiative on workplace mental health and will be developing a Policy Fellowship for mental health consumers and practitioners to help shape California's mental health system.

Toby has worked on governance reform, government oversight and improving outcomes of public programs for many years. He has worked on a range of public policy issues, including mental health, child welfare, immigrant integration, workforce and education, and veterans projects. From 2011 through 2014, Toby served as a consultant to the California State Senate Governance

and Finance Committee. He also served as Director of the California Research Bureau from 2009 to 2011. Prior to that, for eight years, he was a Project Manager with the Little Hoover Commission, an independent body charged with improving government.

Toby did his undergraduate studies at Grinnell College, received a Ph.D. in Sociology from Syracuse University, and served as a Fulbright Scholar in Central America.

**MICHAEL R. GEISS** is the founder of Geiss Consulting, a Sacramento-based management consulting firm. He has over thirty years' experience providing services to public sector agencies. Prior to establishing Geiss Consulting, he had over nine years management consulting experience with NewPoint Group and seven years with Ernst & Young. He specializes in financial and economic analyses, business process improvement and operations analyses. Mr. Geiss has managed and participated in over one-hundred separate engagements for various State of California and other government entities, including more than twenty projects for the California Department of Mental Health, numerous projects for more than 42 county mental health agencies in California, and various projects for the California Behavioral Health Directors' Association and the California Institute for Behavioral Health Solutions.

**LAURA GLENN** is a staff analyst with Mariposa County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services, currently working in the Quality Assurance Unit. Prior to joining Mariposa County Behavioral Health in 2015, Laura worked for an ambulance billing company after receiving her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology from Stanislaus State University in 2013.

**BRENDA GREALISH** is currently the Acting Deputy Director for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services. She was appointed Assistant Deputy Director for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services within the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) in November 2014. As Acting Deputy Director, Ms. Grealish is responsible for all of the DHCS mental health and substance use disorder divisions. Ms. Grealish began her state career with the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development. She then worked at the Department of Mental Health for almost ten years in increasingly responsible positions. She has four years of management experience with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation during which she advanced from a Research Manager II to a Research

Manager III, then to Deputy Director. Prior to her appointment as Assistant Deputy Director, Ms. Grealish was the Chief of the DHCS Mental Health Services Division. Ms. Grealish has a Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Psychology.

**TRACY HAZELTON, MPH**, is currently a Division Director for Alameda County Behavioral Health Care Services focusing on the oversight of the Mental Health Services Act (Prop 63) funding stream. She has extensive experience in the areas of project development and implementation, evaluation, and community engagement/support with a special emphasis in prevention and early intervention services. She has over 13 years' experience overseeing a variety of prevention focused programs including mental health and alcohol and drug school-based programs, wellness services for underserved ethnic populations, trauma informed care initiatives, suicide prevention and crisis intervention programs as well as many other community focused activities.

Before coming to Behavioral Health, she spent a number of years conducting social science research and managing evaluations of various sizes. Ms. Hazelton earned her master's degree in Public Health from the University of California Los Angeles with a focus on community health and planning. Tracy was also a Peace Corps volunteer in Ghana, West Africa where she taught high school chemistry, physics and biology.

**STEPHANIE HESS**, MHTSA Programs Coordinator, Amador County Behavioral Health Services (ACBHS) has been with Amador County BHS nearly seven years. For the past three years, she has acted as the MHTSA Programs Coordinator and is responsible for the administration, planning and development of all MHTSA-related activities and programs in Amador County. Prior to her position as MHTSA Coordinator, she was a Senior Finance Assistant for Amador County BHS and served as the Secretary-Treasurer for the non-profit organization, California Behavioral Health Administrator's Association.

**DEBBIE INNES-GOMBERG, PhD**, is the Deputy Director over Program Development, Prevention and Outcomes for the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health. Over her 26-year career she has assumed leadership roles in Jail Mental Health Services, Adult System of Care, served as a District Chief for the Long Beach/South Bay areas of Los Angeles

County and oversees the administration of the Mental Health Services Act. Dr. Innes-Gomberg is the Co-Chair of the County Behavioral Health Directors' Association's (CBHDA) MHSA Committee. She is a leader in LA County and across the State on the MHSA and on outcome and evaluation of mental health programs.

**SHARON ISHIKAWA, PhD**, is the MHSA Coordinator for the Orange County Health Care Agency (OC HCA). She has 25 years of training and experience in clinical research design and data analysis, including as a Research Analyst for Community Services and Supports MHSA programs in Orange County. She has most recently worked with other OC HCA managers and researchers to standardize outcome measures, data analytics and data visualization across Behavioral Health Services. Sharon obtained her Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from UCLA, completed research post-doctoral fellowships at the University of Southern California and the University of California Irvine, and served as an Assistant/Associate Project Scientist at the University of California Irvine. In these roles, she conducted several large-scale, community-based research projects with vulnerable populations; trained students and staff in psychological assessment with child and adult in- and out-patient populations; taught several courses in psychological assessment, research methods, and statistics; and has published a number of book chapters and peer-reviewed journal articles.

**ROBB LAYNE** is a dynamic and business focused executive with proven experience in the private, nonprofit and public sector. Currently serving as the Director of Communication and External Affairs at The County Behavioral Health Directors Association, Robb is regarded as a strategic problem solver with demonstrated success in coalition building, community relations, social media, and legislative solutions. A graduate from UC Davis, Robb Layne has over eight years' experience serving in the California State Assembly as legislative and committee staff. After leaving work in the Capitol, he went on to serve over three years at Partnership HealthPlan of California as a member of the Executive team. During this time, he led a large team responsible for Governmental Affairs, Compliance, Legal, Grievances Regulatory Affairs and Communications. Additionally, he has sat on other boards, and commissions including the Sacramento LGBT Community Center, Sacramento Rainbow Chamber of Commerce Foundation and the Sacramento Lawyers for the Arts, and currently sits on the board of the

Sacramento Jewish Federation.

**GRACE REEDY** is a Health Program Specialist who has been employed with the Mental Health Services Oversight & Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) since July 2017. Within her first month of employment with MHSOAC, Grace began to work with participating counties to develop documents designed to streamline the process of County innovation submissions. Since 2006, Grace has served in increasingly responsible positions within the State of California including positions with the Department of Justice and the Department of Public Health. Grace also served in the capacity as a lead analyst in the Mental Health Section at the California Victims Compensation Program. Ms. Reedy has a Bachelor of Science degree from CSU, Sacramento in Criminal Justice, AA in Social Science and has completed substantial coursework towards a master's degree in the Psychology of Human Behavior.

**CAMY RIGHTMIER** moved to Siskiyou County in 1999 and began her career with the County. She has worked for various departments over the last 20 years, from the auditor's office to Sheriff, taking from each position many unique job experiences and different perspectives before settling down at Behavioral Health in 2013. Since then, she has been involved in the planning, writing and implementing of four MHSA annual updates and two 3-year plans. She has been instrumental in creating and managing a Full Service Partnership program for Adults, Older Adults and Youth that has almost 200 members. She was also the driving force behind research and development of the County's first wellness center, Six Stones Wellness Center, which opened its doors in December 2015. She is co-chair of the Department's Cultural and Linguistic Competence Committee. She is fully trained and certified as the County's Planning Section Chief for the Emergency Operations Center; a role she took on at the Sheriff's Department and continues to fill in the event the County is involved in a disaster.

**LYNN RUMFELT** is a Sr. Analyst, Quality Assurance for Mariposa County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services. She started the Quality Assurance unit for the Behavioral Health Division in 2016. She has 3 Years as an Analyst in Quality Assurance working primarily with Medi-Cal and substance use disorder program support. Prior to this Lynn provided 8 Years direct service in Children's FSP program as a personal service coordinator. Currently she is overseeing the Quality Assurance Unit, including MHSA grant oversight

**KIRAN SAHOTA, MA**, is a lifelong resident of Ventura County, where she lives with her two children. She has worked in the social service setting since 1992. Ms. Sahota received her graduate degree in Clinical and Community Psychology from California State University, Northridge. She began her county employment first working as a Child Protective Services Social Worker, to managing the CIT Program with the Sheriff’s Office and currently is with Behavioral Health. Ms. Sahota is a Senior Program Manager overseeing MHTA funding, components, outcomes and programs.

**BREANNE SALMON** is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist. For the past three years she has worked with veterans within the Behavioral Health Department, Prevention and Outreach Division. Breanne graduated from Cal Poly Pomona with a master’s in psychology.

**SHARMIL SHAH, PsyD**, has 21+ years of non-profit experience in providing clinical services, management, business development and community outreach. She is currently the Chief of Program Operations at the Mental Health Services Oversight & Accountability Commission. She directs, supervises, and manages the day to day operations of a complex, highly visible program that includes the following units: Plan Review, Innovation and Prevention and Early Intervention. Prior to this she has worked at Child Guidance Center, Inc, an Orange County based non-profit as a Child Therapist and then with Family Service Association and the Department of Social Services, as the Director of the Child Abuse Prevention Council of Riverside County. Sharmil received her bachelor’s degree in Psychology at UC Riverside, her Master’s degree at Chapman University and her Psy.D at California Southern University, with a specific emphasis on Children and Trauma. She is serving her second year as a Citizen Review Panel Member for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect.

**SAMANTHA SPANGLER, PhD**, is Research and Evaluation Director for the California Institute for Behavioral Health Solutions. Dr. Spangler has 15 years of experience in research, analytics, and evaluation, including work with academic, government, corporate, and non-profit organizations. Dr. Spangler completed a fellowship in interdisciplinary autism research at the UC Davis MIND Institute and has previously worked as a consultant to state and local governments nationwide to provide planning, implementation, and evaluation support for

health and human services initiatives. She provides expertise in research and evaluation design and execution and works with organizations to understand how they can continuously improve the quality of their services and outcomes for the populations they serve.

**NENAD STOJIC** a LCSW with the Mobile Support Team of Amador County Behavioral Health (ACBH), has been with the county since 2015, providing clinical services as a crisis counselor on mobile support team, as well as outpatient counseling services to ACBH clients. Prior to his assignment with ACBH, Nenad has been working as a counselor for Northern California Juvenile Sexual Offender facility.

**LINDSAY WALTER, JD**, has served as Deputy Director for Administration and Operations since April 2016 for Santa Barbara County Department of Behavioral Wellness. Ms. Walter earned a BA degree in Economics from the University of California Los Angeles, and became an attorney after receiving a Juris Doctorate degree from Santa Barbara College of Law. She joined Santa Barbara County in 2006 as an Accountant and was assigned MHTA community provider payments as one of her first projects. In her spare time, she enjoys volunteering as a Board Member for the Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center and beach walks with family.

**FRANK WARREN, MPP**, is the Division Manager for Prevention & Outreach, for the County of San Luis Obispo’s Behavioral Health Department. He has been with the agency for 24 years, and the MHTA Coordinator since 2010. Frank has a bachelor’s degree in communication, and a Master’s in Public Policy from Cal Poly, SLO. Frank authored the Veterans Outreach Program as one of the County’s first Innovation projects.





# COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH MHSA BOOT CAMP PLANNING COMMITTEE

We thank the following individuals for their time and contributions as  
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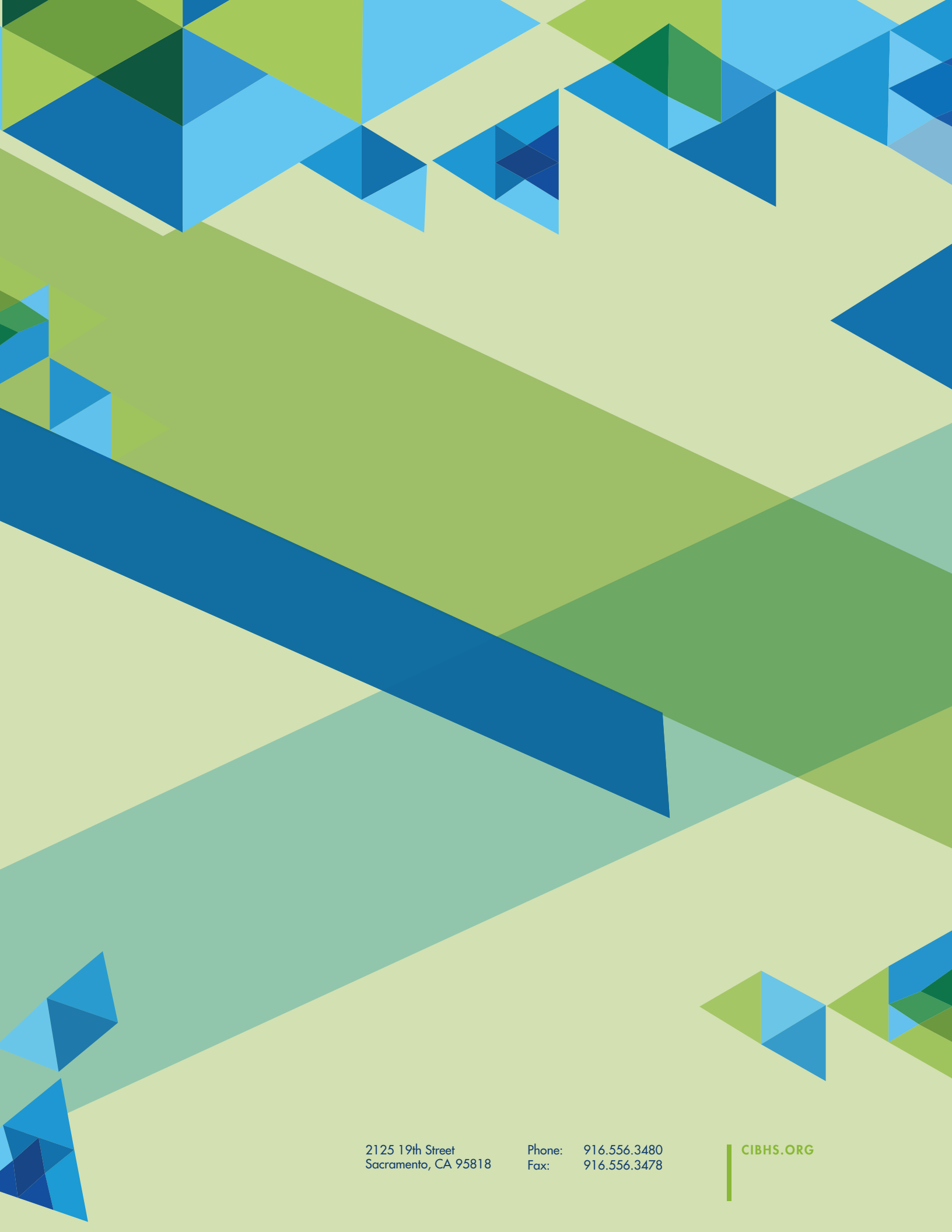
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