

COMMISSION MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

May 22, 2025

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commission will conduct a meeting on **May 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.**

This meeting will be conducted via teleconference pursuant to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act according to Government Code sections 11123, 11123.5, and 11133. The location(s) from which the public may participate are listed below. All members of the public shall have the right to offer comment at this public meeting as described in this Notice.

DATE May 22, 2025
TIME 9:00 a.m.
LOCATION 1812 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95811 and
Virtual

ZOOM ACCESS
**Zoom meeting link and dial-in number will be
provided upon registration.**
Free registration link: [Click Here to Register](#)

COMMISSION MEMBERS:

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

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Public participation is critical to the success of our work and deeply valued by the Commission. Please see the detailed explanation of how to participate in public comment after the meeting agenda.

Our Commitment to Excellence

The Commission's 2024-2027 Strategic Plan articulates four strategic goals:



Champion vision into action to increase public understanding of services that address unmet behavioral health needs.



Catalyze best practice networks to ensure access, improve outcomes, and reduce disparities.



Inspire innovation and learning to close the gap between what can be done and what must be done.



Relentlessly drive expectations in ways that reduce stigma, build empathy, and empower the public.

Meeting Agenda

It is anticipated that all items listed as “Action” on this agenda will be acted upon, although the Commission may decline or postpone action at its discretion. Items may be considered in any order at the discretion of the Chair. Public comment is taken on each agenda item. Unlisted items will not be considered.

9:00 a.m. **1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

Information

Chair Mayra E. Alvarez will convene the Commission meeting, and a roll call of Commissioners will be taken.

9:10 a.m. **2. Announcements and Caring Moment**

Information

Chair Mayra E. Alvarez, Commissioners, and staff will make announcements and give updates. We will also ask a Commissioner to share a Caring Moment to help us center ourselves on the purpose of our work and the people we serve.

9:40 a.m. **3. General Public Comment**

Information

General Public Comment is reserved for items not listed on the agenda. No discussion or action will take place.

10:00 a.m. **4. Consent Calendar**

Action

All matters listed on the Consent Calendar are routine or noncontroversial and can be acted upon in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items prior to the time that the Commission votes on the motion unless a Commissioner requests a specific item to be removed from the Consent Calendar for individual action.

1. April 24, 2025 Meeting Minutes
2. Napa County: PIVOT - \$290,380 over 3 years
3. Yolo County: Semi-Statewide Enterprise Health Record Multi-County Collaborative Project - \$5,267,306 over 3 years

- Public Comment
- Vote

10:10 a.m. **5. Advocacy Spotlight
Information**

The Commission will hear a presentation from the California Association of Veteran Service Agencies (CAVSA) on advocacy work conducted for veterans. Presented by *California Association of Veteran Service Agencies (CAVSA)*.

- Public Comment

10:40 a.m. **6. May Revise Budget Update
Action**

The Commission will hear an update on the state budget and Governor's May Revise budget proposal and will consider approving a revised spending plan including associated contracts. Presented by *Norma Pate, Deputy Director of Administrative Services and Performance Management*.

- Public Comment
- Vote

11:10 a.m. **7. Mental Health Wellness Act Full-Service Partnership Grant
Action**

The Commission will hear a presentation on grant opportunities to strengthen full-service partnerships. Presented by *Kallie Clark, PhD, MSW, Research Scientist Supervisor I*.

- Public Comment
- Vote

11:40 a.m. **8. Lunch**

The Commission will pause for 20 minutes to allow Commissioners to pick up lunch.

12:00 p.m. **9. Innovation Partnership Fund & Public, Private, and Nonprofit
Partnerships Discussion
Information**

The Commission will participate in a panel discussion to explore a range of public, private, and nonprofit partnership models. This session will also include a preliminary facilitated discussion to help prioritize potential concepts for further exploration as part of the upcoming Innovation Partnership Fund grant. Presented by *invited panelists and a facilitator*.

- Public Comment

3:00 p.m. **10. Impacts of Firearm Violence
Action**

The Commission will receive and consider adoption of the policy report *Stopping the Hurt: Preventing the Harms of Firearm Violence Through Public Behavioral Health*. Presented by *Courtney Ackerman, Research Scientist*.

- Public Comment
- Vote

3:30 p.m. **11. Early Psychosis Intervention Strategic Plan
Action**

The Commission will receive and consider accepting a report for early psychosis intervention developed by McKinsey and hear an update from staff on related items. Presented by *McKinsey Institute*.

- Public Comment
- Vote

4:00 p.m. **12. Adjournment**

Our Commitment to Transparency

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Our Commitment to Those with Disabilities

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Notes for Participation

For Public Comments: Prior to making your comments, please state your name for the record and identify any group or organization you represent.

Register to attend for free here:

<https://bhsoac-ca-gov.zoom.us/meeting/register/2lzwjC1TReuG9AZMJAtvNw#/registration>

Email Us: You can also submit public comment to the Commission by emailing us at publiccomment@bhsoac.ca.gov. Emailed public comments submitted at least 72 hours prior to the Commission meeting will be shared with Commissioners at the upcoming meeting.

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Public Participation: The telephone lines of members of the public who dial into the meeting will initially be muted to prevent background noise from inadvertently disrupting the meeting. Phone lines will be unmuted during all portions of the meeting that are appropriate for public comment to allow members of the public to comment. Please see additional instructions below regarding public participation procedures.

The Commission is not responsible for unforeseen technical difficulties that may occur. The Commission will endeavor to provide reliable means for members of the public to participate remotely; however, in the unlikely event that the remote means fail, the meeting may continue in person. For this reason, members of the public are advised to consider attending the meeting in person to ensure their participation during the meeting.

Public participation procedures: All members of the public have a right to offer comment at the Commission's public meeting. The Chair will indicate when a portion of the meeting is open for public comment. **Any member of the public wishing to comment during public comment periods must do the following:**

- **If joining in person.** Complete a public comment request card and submit to Commission staff. When it is time for public comment, staff will call your name and you will be invited to the podium to speak. Members of the public should be prepared to complete their comments within 3 minutes or less, unless a different time allotment is needed and announced by the Chair.
- **If joining by call-in, press *9 on the phone.** Pressing *9 will notify the meeting host that you wish to comment. You will be placed in line to comment in the order in which requests are received by the host. When it is your turn to comment, the meeting host will unmute your line and announce the last three digits of your telephone number. The Chair reserves the right to limit the time for comment. Members of the public should be prepared to complete their comments within 3 minutes or less time if a different time allotment is needed and announced by the Chair.
- **If joining by computer, press the raise hand icon on the control bar.** Pressing the raise hand will notify the meeting host that you wish to comment. You will be placed in line to comment in the order in which requests are received by the host. When it is your turn to comment, the meeting host will unmute your line, announce your name, and ask if you'd like your video on. The Chair reserves the right to limit the time for comment. Members of the public should be prepared to complete their comments within 3 minutes or less time if a different time allotment is needed and announced by the Chair.

In accordance with California Government Code § 11125.7(c)(1), members of the public who utilize a translator or other translating technology will be given at least twice the allotted time to speak during a Public Comment period.