

AGENDA ITEM 9

Action

Update on the Client and Family Leadership Committee (CFLC) & Cultural and Linguistic Competency Committee (CLCC)

Item Goals

- Determine the best path forward to streamline operations and improve committee coordination, while elevating and embedding the voices of individuals with lived experience into all aspects of the Commission's work and priorities.
- Explore opportunities to enhance the Commission's advisory infrastructure to better reflect the intersecting needs of equity, cultural competency, and lived experience.

Behavioral Health Landscape

• The Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) emphasizes client and family driven care, equity, and community involvement. It is grounded in the foundational principle of "Nothing About Us Without Us," recognizing that meaningful systems change in behavioral health must be led and informed by individuals with lived experience, particularly those from historically marginalized communities.

Relevant Commission Work

- All Commission initiatives require meaningful community engagement, ensuring that projects reflect the voices and needs of those most impacted.
- Both committees have played critical roles in shaping the Commission's equity strategies, elevating culturally responsive approaches and client & family voices.

Proposed Motion

That the Commission create and adopt the charter for the Client, Family, and Community Inclusion, Lived Experience, and Diversity Advisory Committee.