

Public Health Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

March 2nd, 2022 12-1:30PM

Meeting Location

Zoom Meeting (Open to the Public)

Moderator: Farla Kaufman

Scribes: Liz Gomez

Meeting Opened: 12:10 PM

Board Members: Farla Kaufman, Steve Heath, Sonal Patel, Elisabeth Abbott, Phil Summers, Dr. Ashley Sterlin, Barbie Law, Jofil Borja, Larissa May, Sara Bowsky, Sandy Damiano (ex officio) Olivia Kasirye, (ex officio)

Those not in attendance: Chase Smith

Board Members excused:

Other County Leadership: Lynnann Svensson, Andrew Mendosa, Michelle Besse, Stephanie Kelly

Review of Minutes: February minutes approved.

YouTube link for the minutes: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JZ8u0n1bH28>

Farla Update

Are there any amendments to the February meeting minutes? Hearing none. Is there a motion to approve the minutes? Yes. Minutes are approved.

We have a request for a nomination for HIV Health Services Planning Council. Jose Vega. Is there a motion to approve? Gabby will forward to Steve Heath the letters and the two emails. We will take a vote on the approval of the nomination. Nomination is approved.

Public Health Division Updates – Dr. K

We have changed our cadence to update or dashboard we have gone to update once a week. We know the numbers continue to trend downwards. The State this week updated the masking mandate and now it is highly recommended for everyone except for high risk setting such as healthcare, transportation, jails and shelters. For schools the update will occur on March 11th and will become a strong recommendation at that point. The State released a SMARTER plan which is basically a whitepaper on how we move forward on how we remain vigilant but also moving towards a new normal and focusing on vulnerable populations that have a disproportionate impact on COVID hospitalizations and deaths.

Farla: I want to put a request on funding features. We want to let the Board of Supervisors know what our budget has been for the last couple of decades.

Dr. K: How many years do you want to go back?

Farla: We can talk about specifics at some other time, I can talk to you a little bit about that after and PHAB can discuss that at the next meeting.

Behavioral Health Services, Substance Use – Michelle

Our department is working with public health and the District Attorney to get ahead of the fentanyl epidemic in Sacramento. They will be providing a prenatal substance exposure training series to any community providers interested in participating in the series. We also have a MAT training in partnership with Sierra Sacramento Valley Medical Society. We are working on getting information around meth. We are working on getting narcan out into the community. Contingency Management Safe Pilot Program we are working on a meth specific residential. Continuing to expand our continuum of services.

We are working with Well Space on meth residential and we are working on adding additional capacity for residential treatment. 24 hour detox has been incredibly helpful and I just want to note that.

Do we know how many beds are currently available in the County in total?

- We are working on meth residential and additional providers interested in residential services. COVID has been challenging in pausing intakes and has caused a backlog. It has been a struggle.

Can you please follow up with the specific beds available in the County and current wait time?

- Yes, I can follow-up on that.

More information on the above events folks can reach out to Michelle Besse BesseM@saccounty.net.

Primary Health Division Updates – Dr. Damiano

Correctional Facilities

Juvenile Correctional Health

Case Data for the period of 2/13 – 2/19/22

- Total confirmed throughout pandemic: 104
- Total tests for period: 27
- Total new cases for period: 1
- Census as of 114. Total number of positive cases at YDF as of 2/22 = 1

Vaccination Data

- Youth vaccinated as of 02/22/22: 118
- Incentive Program began in mid-July. Boosters are offered.

Youth Detention Facility / Point in Time for 2/22/22		
Census = 110		
Vaccination Status	Number	Percentage
Fully Vaccinated	37	34%

Boosters	8	7%
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Adult Correctional Health

Data as of 3/2/22 7 AM	ADP	Confirmed Cases
MJ	1667	5
RCCC	1465	12
	3132	17

Weekly COVID-19 Data as of February 23, 2022

Total inmate population: 3,462

Total number of COVID-19 tests since March 2020: 34,157 (*Net increase = 553*)

Total number of confirmed COVID-19 cases since March 2020: 3,493 (*Net increase = 39*)

Total number of confirmed COVID-19 cases during the intake observation/quarantine period since March 2020: 757 (*Net increase = 4*)

Total number of COVID-19 positive inmates currently in custody: Main Jail – 42 / RCCC – 10

Total number of COVID-19 related deaths: 3

Inmate Vaccination Incentive Program –

Began 7/23/21, incentive was enhanced 9/14/21, and further enhanced 10/25/21 for inmate workers. Incentive is \$20 (single dose vaccine) or \$10 per vaccination (for two dose vaccine). This was increased for inmate workers \$40 (single dose vaccine) / \$20 (two dose vaccine). Inmates will also receive the incentive for booster doses.

Vaccination Data – Inmates

As of 2/23/22, 2,796 inmates received at least one COVID-19 vaccine dose.

- Net increase of fourteen (14) new inmates receiving initial doses.
- Net increase of five (5) 2nd doses.
- Net increase of five (5) booster doses.
- Total of twenty-four (24) doses provided this past week.

Jail	Total Patients	Total Doses	Fully Vaccinated	Booster
Main Jail	1,679	2,282	1,468	89
RCCC	1,117	1,527	977	113
Total	2,796	3,809	2,445	202

Point in Time 02/23/22 (Daily Population = 3,323)

27% of the daily population received at least one vaccination with most having completed the vaccination series. **25%** of the daily population are fully vaccinated.

	Main Jail	RCCC	Total
Received at least one vaccine dose	474	434	908 (27%)
<i>Completed vaccine series</i>	444	398	842 (25%)

Point in Time by LOS

Of the 908 who received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, **89%** have been in custody for more than 60 days.

Inmates who Received at Least One Vaccine Dose			
Length of Stay			
	Main Jail	RCCC	Total
0 – 15 days	26	0	26 (3%)
16 – 30 days	14	2	16 (2%)
31 – 60 days	37	20	57 (6%)
61 - 90 days	17	27	44 (5%)
91+ days	380	385	765 (84%)
Total	474	434	908 (100%)

Last point in time report dated 11/16/21 = 30% (partially vaccinated) and 27% (fully vaccinated). 81% of inmates who received at least one dose had been in custody for more than 60 days.

ACH Staff Vaccination: Point in Time 02/10/22

County Staff	Total Vaccinated	Total Staff	Percentage
Medical Staff	110	118	93%
Administrative Staff – Onsite	4	4	100%
East Parkway Administrative Staff – Goes onsite	10	10	100%
County On-Call/Temp Staff	36	40	90%
Total	160	172	93%

County Staff	Booster	Total Staff	Percentage
Medical Staff	49	118	42%
Administrative Staff – Onsite	2	4	50%
East Parkway Administrative Staff – Goes onsite	8	10	80%
County On-Call/Temp Staff	17	37	46%
Total	76	169	45%

UCD MH Staff Vaccination: Point in Time 02/22/22 = 95% fully vaccinated. (Do not have booster information yet.)

State Public Health Order for Correctional/Detention Facilities - This order was amended 12/22/21 and mandates vaccination boosters for all eligible workers by 3/1/22. Can defer booster up to 90 days if COVID+ infection confirmed. Staff who have qualified exemptions or who are booster eligible and have not received boosters must test weekly. Testing clinics are onsite twice weekly at the jail facilities.

Adult Correctional Health Vacancy Reports

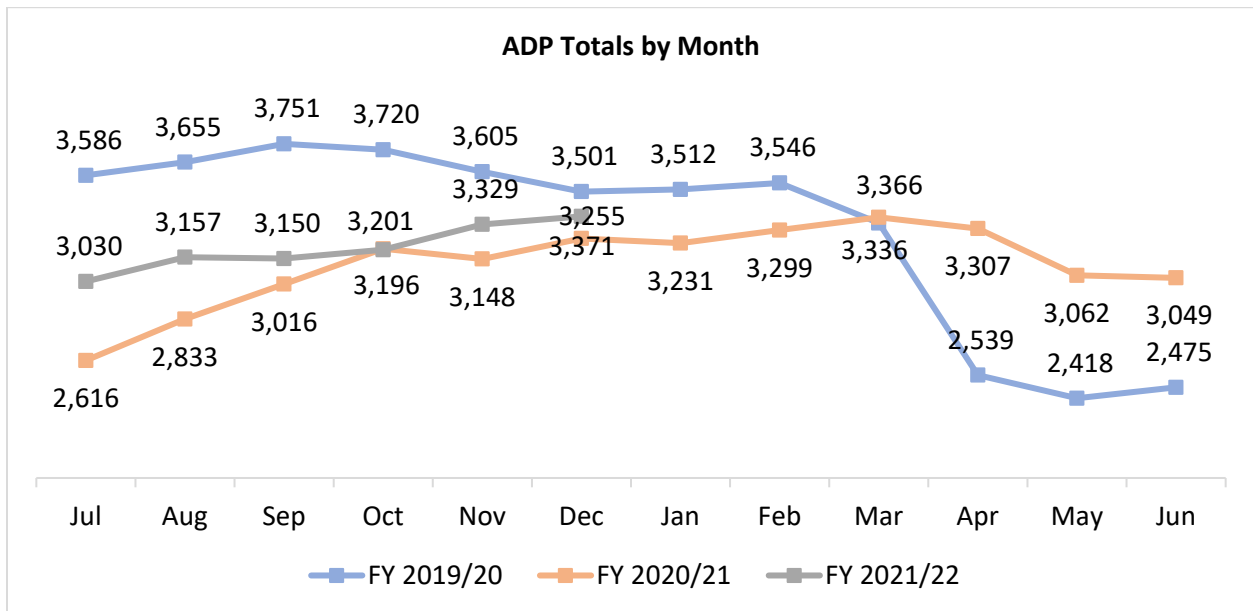
Medical Positions (02/23/22)	Vacancies	Background
Medical Assistant	1	0
Licensed Vocational Nurse	13	3
Registered Nurse	6	2
Supervising RN		0
Physician	6	0

Nurse Practitioner	1	0
Total	27	5

Administrative Positions (02/23/22)	Vacancies	Background
Admin Services Officer 3 – E.H.R.	1	0
Admin Services Officer 1 - Med Records	1	0
Med Records Technician	1	0
Registered Nurse – QI	2	1
Supervising RN - Case Management	1	1
Senior Office Assistant – Case Mgt.	1	0
Total	7	2

Mental Health Positions (02/22/22)	Positions
Outpatient Program - MJ	1 Supervisor 3 LCSW, 1 SWI
Intensive Outpatient Program - MJ	1 LCSW
Enhanced Outpatient - MJ	3 SWI
Enhanced Outpatient – RCCC	2 SWI
Jail Based Competency - RCCC	1 Supervisor 2 LCSW
Total	14

Average Daily Population (ADP)



The highest ADP was pre-pandemic on September 2019 (3,751) and the lowest ADP was May 2020 due to large population releases early in the pandemic (2,418).

Jail Releases by Length of Stay (LOS)

November 2021, N = 2,116			
Length of Stay (in days)	Number of Releases	Percentage	Cumulative Percentage
0	594	28%	28%
1 – 3	581	27%	56%
4 – 14	386	18%	74%
15 – 29	107	5%	79%
30 – 119	311	15%	94%
≥ 120	137	6%	100%

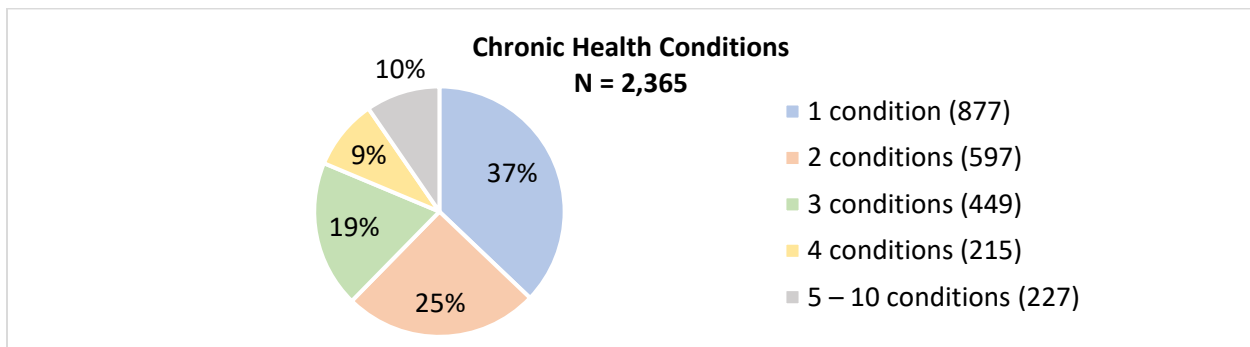
The jails have a very high-churn rate. Approximately half of the population is released within three days and 74% of the population is released within 14 days. Short lengths of stay make discharge planning and continuity of care challenging.

Chronic Health Conditions

Daily Population Snapshot for December 29, 2021 = 3,338

Of the 3,338 adults incarcerated:

- **71%** of the incarcerated population had at least one chronic health condition.
- **63%** of individuals with chronic health conditions, had two or more chronic health conditions.



Youth Behavioral Health Letter - Sonal

As a little context, COVID has a significant mental health issues on youth. The Adhoc Mental Health Collaborative shared their experiences navigating challenges and what they think needs to be done next. We want to look at ways Sacramento County can support youth. We developed 4 recommendations to give our support to. We find that these are low hanging fruit to prioritize. This isn't a comprehensive solution but things we can work on quickly and efficiently. Attached please find this letter.

We are voting on sending these letters to the Board of Supervisors with these recommendations. There is a motion and a second. Motion is approved.

Correctional Health Letter - Libby

We do have quite a few folks from the working committee here on the call. For context at PHAB we have been looking at issues relating to correctional health for a little over a year now. We have been looking specifically at the Mays Consent Decree. The issues are really complex but one of the items that have consistently come up is that there are too many people in the jail, and too many people in the jail with mental health needs. Jail population reduction aligns with the recommendations from the American Public Health Association. The County is compelled to reduce the jail population through the Mays Consent Decree. We want to think about better meeting the health needs of those individuals. Our goals were to how to divert individuals from the jail pipeline and secondly to review how to increase health of those individuals in the jail.

Would anyone else from the working committee like to add anything? No additional feedback.

Attached please find the full letter.

Any additional questions or feedback?

- Question: Thank you and the committee for your work. I am looking at the letter and I saw something about increasing the County's mental health reimbursement.
 - o Response: This is on page 5 section 2c. The aim of this conversation is to stimulate conversation with the Board. We don't have those exact numbers right now.
 - o Additional comment: There are many layers of limiting access to these beds.
- Who are the stakeholders you have consulted?
 - o We talked to the Sheriff's Office, Behavioral Health Division, Dr. Damiano, Dr. Kothari, Supervisor Kennedy, Notolli and Desmond, the former Inspector General, Mental Health Board, Plaintiff's Council in Mays Consent Decree, Public Defenders Office, Collaborative Courts and County Counsel.

Ask for a motion to accept this letter, there is a second. Motion is approved.

We will present these two letters to the Board of Supervisors and engage in a conversation with the Board of Supervisors. They can't discuss these outside of a meeting so this is a good opportunity to engage with them. We have covered everything on the agenda.

I wanted to acknowledge all of the individuals that helped with this effort. We also involved public community members in this effort which we think worked so well.

Public Comment

Any public comments?

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30PM.

Submitted by Liz Gomez, scribe