



Health, Housing & Community Services  
Mental Health Commission

To: Mental Health Commissioners  
From: Jamie Works-Wright, Commission Secretary  
Date: November 13, 2024

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## Berkeley/ Albany Mental Health Commission

### AGENDA

**Regular Meeting**  
**Thursday, November 21, 2024**

*All Agenda Items are for Discussion and Possible Action*

**Public Comment Policy:** *Members of the public may speak on any items on the Agenda and items not on the Agenda during the initial Public Comment period. Members of the public may also comment on any item listed on the agenda as the item is taken up. Members of the public may not speak more than once on any given item. The Chair may limit public comment to 3 minutes or less.*

**Time:** 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

**Location:** North Berkeley Senior Center  
1901 Hearst Ave. Berkeley, Poppy Room

- 1. Roll Call (1 min)**
- 2. Preliminary Matters**
  - a. Action Item: Approval of the November 21, 2024 meeting agenda
  - b. Public Comment (non-agenda items)
  - c. Action Item: Approval of the October 24, 2024 meeting minutes
- 3. Review and vote on dates for commission meetings for year 2025**
  - a. Review potential dates for 2025
  - b. Review religious holidays for 2025
- 4. Interview and vote on nomination of Lisa Teague to the Mental Health Commission**
- 5. Review Commission by-laws and make any updates**
- 6. Discussion regarding the meeting with COB finance and Mental Health department – Report will be submitted by Monica and Glenn in January 2025**
- 7. Mental Health Manager’s Report and Caseload Statistics – provided by Jeff Buell**
  - a. MHC Manager Report November
  - b. Caseload Statistic November 2024

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## 8. Subcommittee Reports

- a. Checklist for scheduling subcommittee meetings
- b. Scheduling reports on subcommittee meetings—contents and timing
- a. Membership Subcommittee
  - i. Update membership and recruitment plan
- b. Evaluation Subcommittee
  - i. Annual Report: Brainstorm items for inclusion in the report. Commissioners are invited to identify/write/suggest items that they would like to have included in this year's annual report.
- c. Care Court Subcommittee

## 9. How can the MHC be most useful to BH and to City Council?

- a. Timing of information to be included in MHC meeting agendas

## 10. Adjournment

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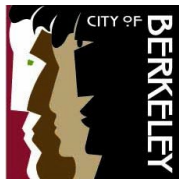
Contact person: Jamie Works-Wright, Mental Health Commission Secretary (510) 981-7721 or [Jworks-wright@berkeleyca.gov](mailto:Jworks-wright@berkeleyca.gov)



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Department of Health,  
Housing & Community Services  
Mental Health Commission

## Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission Draft Minutes – Regular Meeting

7:00 pm  
North Berkeley SC 1901 Hearst

Regular Meeting  
October 24, 2024

**Members of the Public Present:** Maria Sol, Paul Kealoha -Blake, Ashley Gu, Shirley Posey, Ann Hawkins

**Staff Present:** Jeff Buell, Jamie Works-Wright

### 1) Call to Order at 7:04 pm

**Commissioners Present:** Andrea Prichett, Monica Jones (Chair), Edward Opton, Glenn Turner (Vice Chair), Ajay Krishnan (7:14), Cecilia Lunaparra; **Absent:** None

### 2) Preliminary Matters

#### a) Approval of the October 24, 2024 agenda

**M/S/C (Turner, Opton)** Motion to move item #7, Managers report to # 3 and remove current items #4 and #5, SCU and Cares first, Jails last in the agenda.

**PASSED**

**Ayes:** Jones, Krishnan, Lunaparra, Opton, Prichett, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** None;

#### b) Public Comment- 1 public comments

#### c) Approval of the September 26, 2024 Minutes

**M/S/C (Jones, Turner)** Motion to approve the September minutes

**PASSED**

**Ayes:** Jones, Krishnan, Opton, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** Lunaparra, Prichett; **Absent:** None

### 3) Mental Health Manager's Report and Caseload Statistics – provided by Jeff Buell

a. MHC Manager Report October – No Motion made

b. Caseload Statistic October 2024

- 4) **Discuss BHCIP (Behavioral health continuum infrastructure) grant applications – No Motion made**
- 5) **Review and discuss Prop 1 laws including by-laws, resolution and application and new name of Mental Health Commission**  
**M/S/C (Jones, Turner) Motion to change the name of the current commission name to the Berkeley Behavioral Health Commission**  
**Not PASSED**  
**Ayes:** Turner; **Noes:** Jones, Lunaparra, Opton; **Abstentions:** Krishnan, Prichett; **Absent:** None
- 6) **Subcommittee Reports – No Motion made**  
a. **Membership Subcommittee**  
i. **Update membership and recruitment plan**  
b. **Evaluation Subcommittee**  
c. **Care Court Subcommittee**
- 7) **Adjournment – 8:58 PM**  
**M/S/C (Jones, Krishnan) Motion to adjourn the meeting**  
**PASSED**  
**Ayes:** Jones, Krishnan, Lunaparra, Opton, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** Prichett; **Absent:** None

Minutes submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

*Jamie Works-Wright*

Jamie Works-Wright, Commission Secretary

## City Policy Regarding the Scheduling of City Meetings on All Significant Religious Holidays

Pursuant to Resolution No. 70,066-N.S., it is the policy of the City to avoid scheduling meetings of City Legislative Bodies (City Council, Policy Committees, Commissions, Task Forces) on religious holidays that incorporate significant work restrictions for common observance in the United States. City legislative bodies must avoid scheduling meetings on the religious holidays listed below.

Religion	Holiday	2025 Date(s)
Shinto	New Year	1/1/2025 thru 1/3/2025
Hindu	Makar Sankranti	1/14/2025
Cultural	Chinese New Year (Eve, Day, Lantern Festival)	1/28, 1/29, 2/12
Islam	Ramadan (Eve & First Night)	2/28/2024 thru 3/1/2025
Hindu	Holi	3/14/2025
Cultural	Nowruz*	3/20/2025
Islam	Eid al-Fitr	3/30/2025 thru 3/31/2025
Jewish	Passover Nights 1 & 2 (7*, 8*)	4/12 - 4/13 (4/19, 4/20)
Christian	Good Friday	4/18/2025
Christian	Easter Sunday	4/20/2025
Buddhist	Vesak	5/12/2025
Jewish	Shavuot*	6/1/2025 thru 6/3/2025
Islam	Eid al-Adha	6/6/2025 thru 6/7/2025
Shinto	Obon Ceremony*	8/13/2025 thru 8/15/2025
Jewish	Rosh Hashanah	9/22/2025 thru 9/24/2025
Jewish	Yom Kippur	10/1/2025 thru 10/2/2025
Hindu	Dussehra	10/2/2025
Jewish	Sukkot (1st Day)*	10/6/2025 thru 10/7/2025
Jewish	Shmini Atzeret/ Simchat Torah*	10/13/2025 thru 10/15/2025
Hindu	Diwali	10/20/2025
Baha'i Faith	Birth of Bab	10/22/2025
Baha'i Faith	Birth of Baha'u'llah	10/23/2025
Jewish	Chanukah (1st night)	12/14/2025
Christian	Christmas	12/25/2025
Cultural	Kwanzaa	12/26/2025 thru 1/1/2026
Jewish	Shabbat (Friday sunset to Saturday sunset)*	Weekly

\* Meetings not prohibited, but avoid scheduling meetings if possible

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## 2025 Commission Meeting Schedule

Please complete this form and email it to the  
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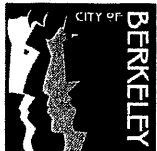
Name of Commission: Mental Health Commission

Commission Secretary: Jamie Works-Wright

### Example

Month	Meeting Day and Date	Time	Month	Meeting Day and Date	Time
February 2025	Wednesday 2/10/2025	7:00 pm	July 2024	No Meeting	

Month	Meeting Day	Meeting Date	Time
January 2025	Thursday	1/23/24	7:00 PM
February 2025	Thursday	2/27/24	7:00 PM
March 2025	Thursday	3/27/24	7:00 PM
April 2025	Thursday	4/24/24	7:00 PM
May 2025	Thursday	5/22/24	7:00 PM
June 2025	Thursday	6/26/24	7:00 PM
July 2025	Thursday	7/24/24	7:00 PM
August 2025	No Meeting		
September 2025	Thursday	9/25/24	7:00 PM
October 2025	Thursday	10/23/24	7:00 PM
November 2025	Thursday	11/20/24	7:00 PM
December 2025	Thursday	12/11/24 or 12/18/24	7:00 PM



APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO  
BERKLEY/ALBANY MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION

CITY OF BERKELEY - CITY CLERK  
2024 OCT 22 AM 11:29

NAME: Lisa Mia Teague

PREFERRED PRONOUN(S): They/Them

Residence Address: 2500 Hillegass Avenue, #4 Berkeley 94704  
Street City Zip

Business Name/Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City Zip

Occupation/Profession: Community volunteer/advocate for harm reduction <sup>unhoused and</sup>

Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: 510-316-4150

Email address: teague.lisa@gmail.com

Employer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Disabled/Retired

Name of Spouse's Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please note that pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5604(d), no member of the City of Berkeley's Mental Health Commission or his or her spouse may be: (a) a full or part time employee of City of Berkeley's mental health division, (b) a full or part time county employee of a county mental health service, (c) an employee of the California Department of Health Care Services, or (d) an employee of, or paid member of the governing body of, a mental health contract agency. If you are unsure whether your employment or your spouse's employment falls within this restriction and are interested in applying for the Commission, please contact the Commission Secretary.)*

The following individuals are qualified to comment on my capabilities:

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE NO.
Ari Newlight	Berkeley, 94704 2515 1/2 Durant, #40412	510-365-4394
Andrea Pritchett	Berkeley, 94710 956 Bancroft Way	510-229-0527
Charles Gary	94601 4721 Tidelwater, Oakland	510-396-0830

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APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO BERKLEY/ALBANY MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION

Name: Lisa Mia Teague

I have been a resident of: Berkeley Albany since: April, 2011

I qualify for appointment under the following:

- Representative of General Public Interest... Representative of Special Public Interest...

- Consumer Family member

Signature of Applicant: Lisa Teague Date: 10/21/2024

AFFIDAVIT OF RESIDENCY

I, Lisa Mia Teague, hereby declare, under penalty of perjury, that I am a resident of the City of Berkeley...

Signature of Applicant: Lisa Teague Date: 10/21/2024

DEMOGRAPHIC SURVEY (Optional):

- Please indicate gender: Male Female Nonbinary Prefer not to say
Please indicate whether you are currently a student: Yes No
Please indicate the racial / ethnic category which you most closely identify with below...

**APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO  
BERKLEY/ALBANY MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION**

**Supplemental Questionnaire  
Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission**

In addition to completing the application form, candidates are requested to provide the following information to assist the Mental Health Commission in their process to recommend applicants for appointment by Berkeley City Council. Please use an additional sheet if necessary.

1. Please explain why you are interested serving on the Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission.

I believe my perspective and lived experience w/ mental illness (personally and as an advocate) can make a difference for myself and others. My adult daughter (34) also experienced homelessness. She became dependent on methamphetamine, had struggles with the police, and in 2020 was struck by a truck resulting in Traumatic Brain injury + physical problems. I want to make a better Berkeley for the vulnerable.

2. Are you involved in other community activities? If so, which ones?

Yes! I am a member of the Berkeley Outreach Coalition (BOC), the Berkeley Homeless Union (BHU), the Southside Neighborhood Services Coordination Group, a People's Park advocate since 2018, a provider of Southside Harm Reduction supplies, and a former member of the SCU Steering Committee.

3. What, in your opinion, are the most important mental health issues in Berkeley and/or Albany?

Access to mental health services for the unhoused, poor, and disabled are crucial. And this should mean access for those with mild/moderate mental health issues as well as those w/ serious mental illness. Crisis response is also high in importance. And a real effort to fulfill the mandate of the Specialized Care Unit. Care not cops!

4. What do you recommend doing about them?

Work to get input from City, County, and Community organizers on priorities and available funding for those priorities. Consult w/ providers on expanding availability. Require Bonita House to follow their contract w/ the COB. - if that is somehow possible - so that the SCU can actually do what is required.

5. It is important that Berkeley Mental Health be responsive to the needs of our culturally diverse community. What knowledge and experience do you have that could help provide insight on how to make Berkeley Mental Health even more inclusive of under-served communities?

I am a long-time consumer of mental health services, and I have lived experience of homelessness. I understand the importance of housing and time to recover. I know and work with many currently and formerly unhoused Berkeley residents and can bring their opinions to the MHC.

6. What unique contributions (work experience, education, attributes and training) do you have to make to the Mental Health Commission?

I am 65 years old, have a broad range of work experience - office worker, actor, stephand, teacher, substitute teacher, barista, business owner (coffee shop in Louisiana), volunteer activist, community organizer. BA in Sociology from UHM (U. of Houston in Houston) MA in Criminal Justice w/ conlaw emphasis.

Return this form to the City Clerk Department: 2180 Milvia Street, Berkeley, 94704

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Health Housing and  
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Mental Health Division

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Mental Health Commission  
**From:** Jeffrey Buell, Mental Health Division Manager  
**Date:** 11/12/2024  
**Subject:** Mental Health Manager Report

### Mental Health Services Report

Please find the attached report on Mental Health Services for October 2024. Also note that fiscal fields continue to not be updated in this template. Several commissioners will meet with the Division Manager and HHCS Fiscal Services Manager to discuss helpful data and structure for future service reports.

### Information Requested by Mental Health Commission

- 1) It has been said that, for California as a whole, the passage of Proposition One is causing a major reduction in allocation of "prevention" funds, moving the money that had gone to them into housing, etc. Do you know if that the case in Berkeley?

**A: My understanding of the language of Prop 1 and messaging of DHCS is that Prevention funds will no longer be part of the Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) categories, and those monies will flow to the State instead of the jurisdictions like Counties and City of Berkeley. Any programs formerly funded by prevention funds will no longer qualify for our BHSA funds, and the State will take over prevention efforts in California. These prevention monies will not be allocated to housing: 30% of remaining treatment funds will be redirected to housing instead.**

**So functionally for Berkeley, we will receive less BHSA funds that it did before and the State will take those funds instead for statewide prevention efforts. Prevention projects will no longer be able to be funded by BHSA within COB.**

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## Mental Health Division Updates

### **Division Staffing**

There has been recent staffing turnover, resulting in a number of positions becoming vacant within the Division. Thus far, these have been resignations from the City or transfers to other Departments. This creates instability as well as opportunity to bring in new energy and perspective. With a number of positions (seven vacancies at this time) turning over at once, it is expected that there will also be service interruptions due to hiring and training processes/timelines.

### **CYBHI**

The Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative (CYBHI) is one of the transformational plans that California is implementing to our state's behavioral health systems. One of the changes that this initiative brings is the shifting of behavioral health funding to educational systems. Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) are joining the state initiative's ability to pay for these services in groups, and Berkeley Unified School District (BUSD) is officially joining the second cohort in July of 2024. This multi-payer fee school-linked schedule will ultimately allow LEAs to partner with and directly fund a network of behavioral health providers at rates set by DHCS. This plan is intended to create a simplified structure for providers to serve not only Medi-Cal insured students, but privately insured students as well. LEAs will build their networks with a shared electronic health record and work with partners to be able to provide and bill for behavioral health services within this system.

## Berkeley Mental Health Caseload Statistics for November 2024

Adult Services	Intended Ratio of staff to clients	Clinical Staff Positions Filled	# of clients open this month	Average Monthly System Cost Previous 12 Months	Fiscal Year 2025 (July '24-June '25) Demographics as of November 2024
Adult, Older Adult and TAY Full Service Partnership (AFSP) (Highest level outpatient clinical case management and treatment)	1-10 for clinical staff.	4 Clinicians, 1 Non-Licensed Clinician, 1 Clinical Supervisor	56	\$2,111	Clients: 56 API: 3 Black or African-American: 28 Hispanic or Latino: 1 White: 21 American Indian: 0 Other/Unknown: 3 Male: 36 Female: 18 Missing Gender ID: 0 Unknown: 2 Prefer Not to Answer Gen ID: 0 Multiple Gender ID: 0 Heterosexual: 46 Unknown: 8 Missing Sex Orient: 0 Bisexual: 0 Queer: 0 Prefer Not to Answer Sex Orient: 1 Multiple Sex Orient: 0 Gay: 0 Questioning: 0 Lesbian: 1
Adult FSP Psychiatry (November Stats)	1-100	0 FTE	50	\$2,037,600	
<b>AFSP FY21 Mental Health Division Estimated Budgeted Personnel Costs, including Psychiatry and Medical Staff (FY22 not yet available)</b>					
Homeless Full-Service Partnership (HFSP) (Highest level outpatient clinical case management and treatment)	1-8 for clinical staff	3 Clinicians, 2 Non-Licensed Clinician, 1 Clinical Supervisor	42	\$2,277	Clients: 40 API: 1 Black or African-American: 23 Hispanic or Latino: 1 Other/Unknown: 1 White: 14

## Berkeley Mental Health Caseload Statistics for November 2024

						<p>Male: 23          Female: 14          Missing Gender ID: 0          Unknown: 3          Prefer No to Answer: 0          Multiple Gender Identities: 0          Heterosexual: 30          Missing Sex Orient: 0          Bisexual: 1          Unknown: 7          Other Sex Orient: 1          Gay: 0          Questioning: 0          Multiple Sex Orient: 0          Prefer Not to Answer: 1          Lesbian: 0</p>
<b>HFPS Psychiatry (November Stats)</b>	1-100	0.5 FTE	21			
<b>HFSP FY22 Mental Health Division Estimated Budgeted Personnel Costs, including Psychiatry and Medical Staff (FY22 not yet available)</b>						
<b>Comprehensive Community Treatment (CCT)</b> <b>(High level outpatient clinical case management and treatment)</b>	1-20	7 Clinicians 1 Team Lead 1 Clinical Supervisor	161	\$1,058		<p>Clients: 161          American Indian: 2          API: 13          Black or African-American: 63          Hispanic or Latino: 7          Other/Unknown: 6          Pacific Islander: 2          White: 68          Male: 78          Female: 78          Other Additional Gender Category: 3          Missing Gender ID: 0          Non-Conforming Gender ID: 0          Prefer Not to Answer Gender ID: 1          Female to Male: 0          Gender Queer: 1          Unknown: 0          Heterosexual Sex Orient: 114</p>

## Berkeley Mental Health Caseload Statistics for November 2024

						Unknown: 20 Missing Sexual Orient: 0 Bisexual Sex Orient: 4 Lesbian Sex Orient: 6 Gay Sex Orient: 5 Prefer Not to Answer Sex Orient: 7 Multiple Sexual Orient: 0 Queer Sexual Orient: 3 Other Sexual Orient: 2
<b>CCT Psychiatry (November Stats)</b>	1-200	0.75 FTE	113			
<b>CCT FY21 Mental Health Division Estimated Budgeted Personnel Costs, including Psychiatry and Medical Staff (FY22 not yet available)</b>						
<b>FIT Psychiatry (November Stats)</b>	1-200	.25	70			
<b>FIT FY21 Mental Health Division Estimated Budgeted Personnel Costs, including Psychiatry and Medical Staff (FY22 not yet available)</b>						
<b>Focus on Independence Team (FIT) (Lower level of care, only for individuals previously on FSP or CCT)</b>	1-20 Team Lead, 1-50 Post Masters Clinical 1-30 Non- Degreed Clinical	1 Licensed Clinician 1 CHW Sp./ Non- Degreed Clinical, 1 Clinical Supervisor	85	\$504		Clients: 85 API: 6 Black or African American: 30 Hispanic or Latino: 5 Other/Unknown: 0 White: 44 Male: 49 Female: 34 Intersex: 1 Missing Gender ID: 0 Other Gender ID: 0 Heterosexual: 77 Unknown: 5 Missing Sexual Orient: 0 Prefer Not to Answer Sexual Orient: 2 Gay: 1 Multiple Sexual Orient: 0 Questioning: 0
<b>\$2,617,010</b>						
<b>\$900,451</b>						

Family, Youth and Children's Services	Intended Ratio of staff to clients	Clinical Staff Positions Filled	# of clients open this month	Average Monthly System Cost Last 12 months	Fiscal Year 2025 (July '24-June '25) Demographics as of November 2024
Children's Full-Service Partnership (CFSP)	1-8	1 Senior Behavioral Health Clinician 1 Non-Licensed Clinician	10	\$2,134	Clients: 10 American Indian: 0 API: 1 Black or African-American: 6 Hispanic or Latino: 1 Other/Unknown: 1 White: 1 Female: 5 Male: 3 Missing Gender ID: 0 Unknown: 2 Non-Conforming Gender ID: 0 Heterosexual: 2 Missing Sexual Orient: 0 Bisexual: 2 Unknown: 6 Gay: 0 Other Sexual Orient: 0 Questioning Sexual Orient: 0
CFSP Psychiatry (November Stats)	1-100	0	4		
<b>CFSP FY21 Mental Health Division Estimated Budgeted Personnel Costs (FY22 not yet available)</b>					
Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment Prevention (EPSDT) / Educationally Related Mental Health Services (ERMHS)	1-20	2 Clinicians, 1 Clinical Supervisor	56	\$828	Clients: 47 American Indian: 1 API: 2 Black or African-American: 19 Hispanic or Latino: 9 Other/Unknown: 9 White: 7 Female: 19 Male: 19 Missing Gender ID: 4 Unknown: 3 Multiple Gender ID: 0

							Non-Conforming Gender ID: 1 Female to Male: 0 Other Gender ID: 0 Heterosexual: 24 Unknown: 10 Missing Sexual Orient: 4 Gay: 1 Multiple Sexual Orient: 0 Bisexual: 3 Lesbian: 1 Prefer Not to Answer: 1 Other Sexual Orient: 1 Queer Sexual Orient: 1 Questioning Sexual Orient: 1
ERMHS/EPSTD Psychiatry (November Stats)	1-100	0	11				
<b>EPSDT/ERMHS FY21 Mental Health Division Estimated Budgeted Personnel Costs (FY22 not yet available)</b>							
High School Health Center and Berkeley Technological Academy (HSHC)	1-6 Clinician (majority of time spent on crisis counseling)	1 Clinician, 1 Clinical Supervisor	Drop-in: 20 Externally referred: 30 Ongoing tx: 44 Groups: 7 Offered/ 7 Conducted				N/A
<b>HSHC FY21 Mental Health Division Estimated Budgeted Personnel Costs (FY22 not yet available)</b>							
\$396,106							

Crisis and ACCESS Services	Staff Ratio	Clinical Staff Positions Filled	Total # of Clients/Incidents	MCT Incidents Detail	Calendar Year 2024 (Jan '24- Dec '24) Demographics – From Mobile Crisis Incident Log (through November 2024)
Mobile Crisis (MCT)	N/A	2 Clinicians filled at this time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>48 - Incidents</li> <li>17 - 5150 Evals</li> <li>7 - 5150 Evals leading to involuntary transport</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>15 - Incidents: Location - Phone</li> <li>24 - Incidents: Location - Field</li> <li>0 - Incidents: Location - Home</li> </ul>	Clients: 461 API: 20 Black or African-American: 92 White: 120 Hispanic or Latino: 13 Other/Unknown: 216 Female: 1208 Male: 205 Transgender: 2 Unknown: 47
<b>MCT FY21 Mental Health Division Estimated Budgeted Personnel Costs (FY22 not yet available)</b>					
Transitional Outreach Team (TOT)	N/A	.5 Licensed Clinician, (TOT and CAT have been recently merged)	• 1 – Incident(s)	N/A	Clients: 19 API: 1 Black or African-American: 4 White: 12 Hispanic or Latino: 0 Other/Unknown: 2 Female: 11 Male: 8 Transgender: 0 Unknown: 0
<b>TOT FY21 Mental Health Division Estimated Budgeted Personnel Costs (FY22 not yet available)</b>					
Crisis, Assessment, and Triage (CAT)	N/A	2 Non-Licensed Clinicians, .5 Licensed Clinician, 0 Clinical Supervisor	• 69 - Incidents	N/A	Clients: 489 API: 13 Black or African-American: 92 White: 66 Hispanic or Latino: 30 Other/Unknown: 288 Female: 167 Male: 168 Transgender: 2 Unknown: 152

**CAT FY21 Mental Health Division Estimated Budgeted Personnel Costs  
(FY22 not yet available)**

\$735,075

Not reflected in above chart is Early Childhood Consultation, Wellness and Recovery Programming, or Family Support. In demographics, other/unknown is used both when a client indicates that they are multi-racial and when demographic info is not known.

\*Average System Costs come from Yellowfin, and per ACBH include all costs to mental health programs, sub-acute residential programs, hospitals, and jail mental health costs.

## Works-Wright, Jamie

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**From:** Works-Wright, Jamie  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 12, 2024 9:14 AM  
**To:** Works-Wright, Jamie  
**Subject:** FW: DHCS Seeks Public Comment | County Transformation of Behavioral Health Services in Proposition 1

Hello Commissioner,

Please see the email below from Commissioner Opton.

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**From:** Edward Opton <eopton1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 8, 2024 9:42 PM  
**To:** Works-Wright, Jamie <JWorks-Wright@berkeleyca.gov>  
**Subject:** Fwd: DHCS Seeks Public Comment | County Transformation of Behavioral Health Services in Proposition 1

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To: Jamie Works-Wright  
 From: Edward Opton

Please forward the important notice below to MHC members. If it can't go with the agenda packet, can it be sent separately? The state DHCS will be accepting responses only until December 2, so responses by Commissioners cannot wait until January. Responses can come from individuals, so it isn't necessary for the Commission to consider it as a group.

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** CAL BHBC <cal@calbhbc.com>  
**Subject:** DHCS Seeks Public Comment | County Transformation of Behavioral Health Services in Proposition 1  
**Date:** November 8, 2024 at 5:26:31 PM PST  
**To:** undisclosed-recipients;;

*Sharing Forward from the CA Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)*



# DHCS KICKS OFF COUNTY TRANSFORMATION OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES IN PROPOSITION 1: SEE PUBLIC COMMENT ON NEW DIGITAL POLICY MANUAL

*Counties Must Build a New Transparent and Accountable Mental Health and Substance Abuse System for*

*Residents by July 2026*

**SACRAMENTO** – The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) invites Californians to provide public comment first set of directions to counties on their behavioral health transformation. Comments will be accepted on the [Co Behavioral Health Transformation Policy Manual Module 1](#) from November 8 through December 2, 2024. The final document will provide guidance to counties in developing their new integrated behavioral plan as required by Pro 1. To streamline the process of engaging and incorporating public feedback, DHCS developed a digital tool that will allow the public to submit their comments more easily.

“Through Proposition 1, we are transforming and enhancing the behavioral health landscape in California, making more accessible and equitable,” said **DHCS Director Michelle Baass**. “We value public input as we work to implement these policies and make improvements that will benefit all Californians.”

**WHAT’S IN THE MANUAL:** The County Behavioral Health Transformation Policy Manual guides counties and partner organizations in meeting Proposition 1’s goals, including integrated community planning, expanded funding, and support for people in need. The public comment period allows Californians to

Once final, the County Behavioral Health Transformation Policy Manual will be a multi-module comprehensive guide that helps counties and partner organizations comply with behavioral health transformation requirements as detailed in the [Behavioral Health Services Act](#), including developing and implementing County Integrated Plans.

**WHY THIS IS IMPORTANT:** To support clarity and efficiency, DHCS is releasing the County Behavioral Health Transformation Policy Manual in smaller, more manageable parts called “modules.” Each module focuses on specific areas of policy and procedure, allowing stakeholders to engage with and understand each section in depth. Module 1 provides guidance on County Integrated Plans, community planning, funding, and housing interventions. The module is being released using software that will allow Californians to directly submit feedback that can be analyzed and incorporated into the County Behavioral Health Transformation Policy Manual.

**HOW TO COMMENT:** DHCS encourages interested Californians to review and comment on the County Behavioral Health Transformation Policy Manual Module 1 to provide input through the user-friendly, online [platform](#). This innovative platform allows for more interactive engagement, including new search-friendly functions to aid the content development process, allowing input to be easily provided and taken into consideration. An [instructional training video](#) provides additional guidance on submitting comments. Comments must be submitted by **5 p.m. PST on December 2, 2024**. For any specific public comment-related inquiries, please email [BHTPolicyFeedback@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:BHTPolicyFeedback@dhcs.ca.gov).

**BIGGER PICTURE:** Under Governor Gavin Newsom, California is modernizing the behavioral health delivery system to improve accountability, increase transparency, and expand the capacity of behavioral health care facilities for California Proposition 1, which was passed by voters in May 2024, includes two parts: a \$6.4 billion Behavioral Health Bond for treatment settings and housing with services, and historic reform of the Behavioral Health Services Act to focus on addressing the most serious illnesses, substance use disorders, and housing needs. DHCS is implementing Proposition 1, including the Behavioral Health Services Act, through several initiatives that will transform behavioral health to improve services for Californians. More information about California’s transformation of the state’s entire mental health and substance use disorder system is available at [mentalhealth.ca.gov](http://mentalhealth.ca.gov), including recordings of recent public meetings.

**LEARN MORE:** For general Behavioral Health Transformation-related inquiries or feedback, please email [BHTinfo@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:BHTinfo@dhcs.ca.gov). Please visit the [Behavioral Health Transformation webpage](#) for updates and additional resources.

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**From:** Works-Wright, Jamie  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 6, 2024 1:10 PM  
**To:** Works-Wright, Jamie  
**Subject:** FW: CARE Act Working Group - 11/6/2024

Hello Commissioners,

Commissioner Opton ask that I send you this information below, please read.

11.6.24

To: Members, Mental Health Commission

This morning I watched much of today's five-hour statewide CARE ACT working group meeting. The meeting's most important issue, as it seemed to me, was mentioned only once and only in passing: how much funding for mental health services will continue to flow from the federal government to states and from states to counties and cities?

That subject was not on the agenda, It was mentioned but not discussed. One speaker alluded to the possibility of major changes in federal support of mental health services, but it was not discussed.

It's likely, I think, that the new federal government will move fairly quickly to redirect much of its mental health funding away from "mental health," perhaps to expand "behavioral health, i.e., funds will be redirected to law enforcement: prisons, jails, and the personnel who operate them: police, sheriffs, and other law enforcement agencies.

It might be helpful to invite Berkeley's mental health/behavioral health agency to discuss this possibility at our next meeting.

- \*\* Are reductions in funding likely?
- \*\* How soon?
- \*\* How much of Berkeley's mental/behavioral health funding flows, via the state, from federal agencies?
- \*\* Will MHSa funds held in reserve be available to maintain services?
- \*\* Can the Mental Health Commission be helpful in Berkeley's planning for a decrease in mental health funding? If so, how?
- \*\* What can Berkeley do to slow the loss of mental health/behavioral health personnel as they seek more secure jobs elsewhere?

Would the members of the Commission like to put discussion of these items on the agenda for our next meeting?

Edward Opton

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 Begin forwarded message:

**From:** CHHS CAREAct <[CAREAct@chhs.ca.gov](mailto:CAREAct@chhs.ca.gov)>  
**Subject:** CARE Act Working Group - 11/6/2024  
**Date:** November 6, 2024 at 10:13:43 AM PST  
**Cc:** CHHS CAREAct <[CAREAct@chhs.ca.gov](mailto:CAREAct@chhs.ca.gov)>

Dear Colleagues and Interested Parties,

The California Health and Human Services Agency (CalHHS), in collaboration with our partners at the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and the Judicial Council of California (JC), will be hosting the next CARE Act Working Group meeting on November 6<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 3 pm, in Sacramento and via Zoom.

The meeting will feature a presentation on "CARE for People with Co-Occurring Disorders" from Brian Hurley, Medical Director, Substance Abuse Prevention and Control, County of Los Angeles, Dept of Public Health followed by reflections and a discussion with Working Group members. There will also be a discussion of legislative updates and other CARE Act implementation activities. The meeting notice and agenda are available in the Meeting Materials tab of the CARE Act Working Group website here: <https://www.chhs.ca.gov/home/committees/care-act-working-group/#meetings-materials>.

Here is the Zoom link:

Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device:

Please click this URL to join. <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1616636461>

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International numbers available: <https://www.zoomgov.com/u/ad2oyFRrts>

Or an H.323/SIP room system:

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For additional information about CARE, please see the following sites:

CARE Act Resource Center (managed by Health Management Associates for DHCS): <https://care-act.org/>

CalHHS CARE Act Site: <https://www.chhs.ca.gov/care-act/>

JC CARE Act Site: <https://www.courts.ca.gov/48654.htm>

We look forward to your participation.

Best,

CARE Act team

**CalHHS CARE ACT**

[CAREAct@chhs.ca.gov](mailto:CAREAct@chhs.ca.gov)

<https://www.chhs.ca.gov/care-act/>

Working Group Site: <https://www.chhs.ca.gov/home/committees/care-act-working-group>

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**From:** Duke Cruz Dela Rosa <dukedelarosa@berkeley.edu>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 28, 2024 4:15 PM  
**To:** Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission  
**Cc:** Ruchita Verma; EAVP Federal Government Relations  
**Subject:** Re: [ACTION REQUESTED] ASUC Input Needed on Mental Health Legislation

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Hi!

I hope you had a great weekend! Wanted to bump this message and schedule a day to connect together about the work we are doing towards mental health advocacy! We have a lot of action items planned for the remainder of the school year, and we really wanted to touch base with you on behalf of the ASUC Mental Health Commission.

In community,

**Duke Dela Rosa** (*he/him/siya*)  
 Mental Health Policy Co-Lead  
 Federal Government Relations Department  
 ASUC Office of the External Affairs Vice President

*I respectfully acknowledge the Ohlone people, on whose traditional, ancestral, and unceded land UC Berkeley is located, and whose relationship with this land continues to this day.*

On Thu, Oct 17, 2024 at 9:59 AM Duke Cruz Dela Rosa <[dukedelarosa@berkeley.edu](mailto:dukedelarosa@berkeley.edu)> wrote:

Hi Jamie,

I hope this email finds you well! On behalf of the Associated Students of the University of California (ASUC) Office of the External Affairs Vice President (EAVP), we would love to hear your perspectives on legislative priorities surrounding mental health. As the Mental Health Policy Co-Lead, I believe it is important to connect with wellness organizations around the community and listen to their voices, especially in light of the upcoming election.

Over the past month, we've been researching mental health legislation, as well as compiling candidates' mental health policy positions for voter guides per each respective election, published in the EAVP Vote Coalition's [2024 Voter Guide](#). Below are some of the current items surrounding mental health we've been researching:

**California [Proposition 35](#)** - Provides Permanent Funding for Medi-Cal Health Care Services. Initiative Statute.

**California [Proposition 36](#)** - Allows Felony Charges and Increases Sentences for Certain Drug and Theft Crimes. Initiative Statute.

Let me know if you have further questions or concerns, but we would like to schedule a meeting over Zoom or in person. We are planning on writing an op-ed piece and advocacy letters in the future and would love to have your representation in them! I have CC'ed on this email Ruchita Verma, the other Mental Health Policy Co-Lead, as well as Yamileth Maldonado, our EAVP Federal Government Relations Department Director.

Lastly, we also wanted to extend the possibility of a collaboration surrounding mental health policy and voter education, whether it be a social media post or event! Again, I've attached the EAVP Vote Coalition's 2024 Voter Guide, as well as our nonpartisan mental health-specific voting guide. Please let us know if this interests you, and I look forward to connecting soon!

In community,

**Duke Dela Rosa** (*he/him/siya*)  
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Vote Coalition Voting Guide



Mental Health Voting Guide 2024

## Works-Wright, Jamie

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**From:** Works-Wright, Jamie  
**Sent:** Monday, October 28, 2024 4:03 PM  
**To:** Works-Wright, Jamie  
**Subject:** FW: CALBHB/C | Materials & Recordings from October Meeting/Training  
**Attachments:** TAY Recruit Flyer QR Code.pdf

Hello Commissioners,

Please see the information below regarding the training that took place last week. Also a flyer to recruit TAY

Thank you for your time.

### Jamie Works-Wright

*Consumer Liaison & Mental Health Commission Secretary*  
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**From:** CAL BHBC <cal@calbhbc.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 25, 2024 1:42 PM  
**Subject:** CALBHB/C | Materials & Recordings from October Meeting/Training

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Below are links to items shared during our recent meeting/training:

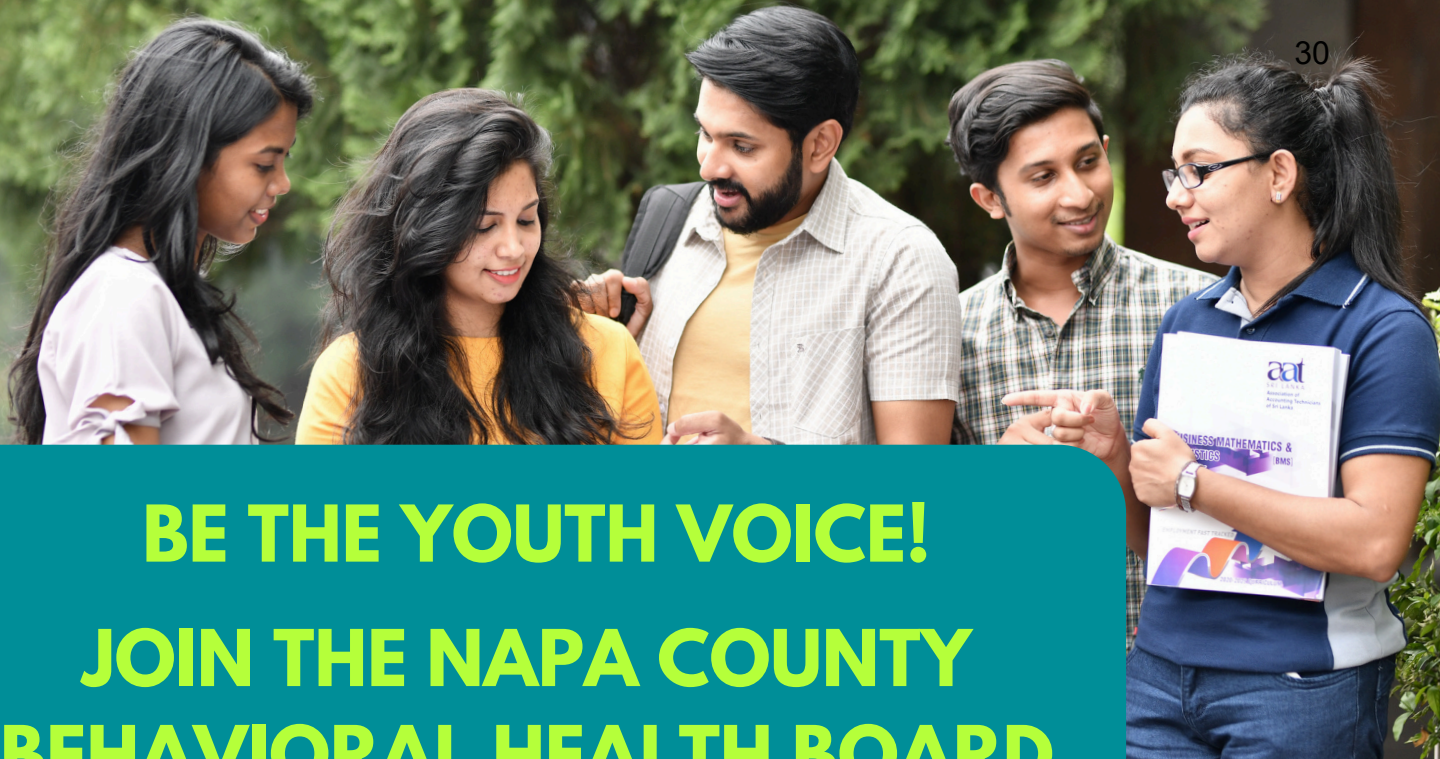
- 1) **Materials and recordings** are available at: [www.calbhbc.org/materialsoctober2024](http://www.calbhbc.org/materialsoctober2024)
- 2) **Flyer to recruit age 25 & under member** is attached (Shared by CALBHB/C Secretary/Treasurer and Napa County Behavioral Health Board Chair, Kristine Haataja).

Note: It is recommended to use a QR code instead of a long URL. This flyer was created by an online design software called "Canva." The software has a feature that will create a QR code when you enter the URL.

This flyer is also available at: [www.calbhbc.org/templatessample-docs](http://www.calbhbc.org/templatessample-docs) under "Recruitment"

CA Association of Local Behavioral Health Boards & Commissions (CALBHB/C)  
[www.calbhbc.org](http://www.calbhbc.org) [News/Issues](#) [Resources](#)

*CALBHB/C supports the work of CA's 59 local Mental/Behavioral Health Boards and Commissions*



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Apply Here



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## Works-Wright, Jamie

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**From:** Works-Wright, Jamie  
**Sent:** Friday, October 25, 2024 12:14 PM  
**To:** Works-Wright, Jamie  
**Subject:** MHC November agenda items due 11/1/24

Hello Commissioners,

Next month we will meet earlier than our scheduled 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday. We are meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, November 21, 2024.

Since we are meeting earlier, I need to have a faster turn around on agenda items and documents you would like added to the packet.

November 21, 2024 will be our last meeting of the year so we will need to make sure we vote on the 2025 schedule and get as much done for prop 1, by January 2025.

If you have any questions for Jeff to add to his report, please submit to me by **Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**, as well as any agenda items.

If you have anything you want to add to the packet, please submit to me by, **November 8<sup>th</sup>**.

Thank you for your understanding and have a great weekend.

**Jamie Works-Wright**

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**From:** Works-Wright, Jamie  
**Sent:** Friday, October 25, 2024 12:03 PM  
**To:** Works-Wright, Jamie  
**Subject:** FW: Sharing Forward - Invitation: October 30, 2pm - 4:30pm, Panel on Population-Based BH Prevention

Hello,

Please see the information below.

Thank you and have a great weekend.

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**From:** CAL BHBC <cal@calbhbc.com>  
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### Sharing forward from the CA Department of Public Health

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Dear Behavioral Health Community Partners,

We are writing to invite you to attend the California Department of Public Health's Expert Advisory Panel Meeting: Population-based Behavioral Health Prevention Strategies on **OCTOBER 30, 2024** from **2:00PM – 4:30PM**.

The meeting will consist of panel discussions with equity-focused subject matter experts to refine and help prioritize policy, systems, and environmental (PSE) change strategies that support behavioral health and upstream prevention.

Attendees are invited to provide written feedback throughout the panels, and thirty minutes of time will be open for public comment.

We look forward to having you join us. Please register at the link below. ASL interpretation will be provided.

[Population-based Behavioral Health Prevention Strategies Webinar Registration Link](#)

Or cut and paste this link into your browser:

[https://csus.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_AWBGvD-cTAuufzS1LhUUA](https://csus.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_AWBGvD-cTAuufzS1LhUUA)

The webinar will be recorded and posted on the [CDPH website](#).

For questions or comments on the CDPH behavioral health planning and engagement process, please email [BHSAinfo@cdph.ca.gov](mailto:BHSAinfo@cdph.ca.gov).

## Works-Wright, Jamie

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**From:** Works-Wright, Jamie  
**Sent:** Friday, October 25, 2024 10:04 AM  
**To:** Works-Wright, Jamie  
**Subject:** FW: Assistance from Goldman School of Public Policy

Hello Commissioners,

Please see the email below from Commissioner Opton, he asked that I share the information with you all.

### Jamie Works-Wright

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**From:** Edward Opton <eopton1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 24, 2024 10:56 PM  
**To:** Buell, Jeffrey <JBuell@berkeleyca.gov>  
**Cc:** Works-Wright, Jamie <JWorks-Wright@berkeleyca.gov>  
**Subject:** Assistance from Goldman School of Public Policy

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10.24.24

Jeff,

As I mentioned at this evening's meeting, to make the Mental Health Division's monthly and other programmatic/financial reports meaningful, you and the Division will need some outside assistance. I know from my experience as an attorney for a large California state government agency that the principles and intricacies of financial/programmatic reporting typically are not part of the curriculum in medical or social services education. Financial expertise isn't necessary to enter data into a financial reporting program, but it is essential to designing such programs. When you became a manager, you inherited a home-made reporting system that was completely inadequate for answering basic questions—for example:

How much does Program X cost per patient?

Are our staff's workloads in Program Y reasonable?

How do our accomplishments in Program Z compare with similar programs elsewhere?

The Goldman School of Public Policy at the University of California, Berkeley, has a program for its advanced master's degree students in which they design and perform research projects in collaboration with public and nonprofit agencies. I think, though I'm not certain, that the typical Goldman externship involves 10 to 20 hours per week for ten or more weeks, and at no cost to the collaborating agency.

Please let me know if you are interested in this program. I have had prior contacts with the Goldman School, including with its former dean, and I recruited one of its master's degree students to work with me and others at the National Center for Youth Law, a charity legal foundation in Oakland. I might be able to help you recruit a capable and ambitious Goldman student.

If you want to explore this possibility, you will want to act now, before all the best students have made commitments to other agencies for the term that begins in January 2025..

Ned

Edward Opton  
510-524-6858