



**CHILDREN'S TREATMETN & RECOVERY
SERVICES COMMITTEE**

January 12, 2023

Attendees: Jeff Burdick-BPD, Jennie Sill-KernBHRS, Cristina Castro-KernBHRS, Jessica Torres-KernBHRS, Anastasia Lester-First5Kern, Christine Perry-CGC, Liz Bailey-KernBHRS, Don Davis-CSV, Andrea Hawk-KernDHS, Susie Baker-KernBHRS, Noelia Irvin-KernBHRS, Mary Lucas-CSV, Maria Aleman-KernBHRS, Patricia Cantu-KCPD, Rebecca Banke-Kern High, Dan Schneider, Marisa Garcia-Trebizo, CSV, Dian Schneider.

Recorder: Jessica Torres

1. Welcome and Introductions

Accomplished.

2. Approval of October 13, 2022, Minutes

Rebecca Banke
Susie Baker

3. Public Comment

None

4. Presentation – Anastasia Lester

Black Infant Maternal Health Initiative

- The Black Infant and Maternal Health Initiative began in February 2021. The Goals and objectives were adopted by the Board of Supervisors on June 21, 2022.
- Goals:
 1. Increase health professionals that are African American in Kern County by hosting a public awareness campaign, creating a two-year internship and creating educational pathways through local colleges.
 2. By June 30,2023, mental health will be addressed as a factor for African American/Black infant and maternal mortality by facilitating focus groups, while implementing a three-year phased public awareness campaign.
 - There will be Focus Groups will be provided for the following: Black Mothers, Male Support, Black Caregivers of Black Peoples
 3. By June 30,2025, provider awareness of African American/Black infant and maternal health disparities will be measurably increased by encouraging healthcare provider attendance at presentations and trainings.
- A fact sheet is available to had out to the community, the website is currently being completed and will have a resource guide for the community to access.





5. Department Reports

Children’s System of Care (CSOC) Report

- The Children’s System of Care has put a 6-session module for therapists and recovery specialists to address concerns with increased substance use in youth.
- Consultation groups between the outpatient teams and Kern High Staff and Kern High Officers have been occurring to help identify High Risk Youth, to ensure they have the resources available to link students to services.
- The state is providing grant opportunities, the Children’s System of Care is currently working on a grant with the hope to focus on early childhood issues and the Parent Child Interactive Therapy (PCIT) which is an evidence-based module.
- There will be a TFCO resource parents training held on 2/25/23.

Substance Use Disorder System Report

No Update.

6. Items to be brought to the Board

None.

7. Provider Issues

None Reported.

8. Future Presentations

- Third Tradition – Present on 4/13/23.
- CGC – Parent Empowerment Program
- CSV – WIC
- CSV – Community Health Center Integrated Mental Health
- DHS – Family First Prevention Service Act
- Parent for Children – The Neurobehavioral Approach – Susie Baker

9. Other

None.

10. Next regular meeting: April 13, 2023, via TEAMS at 3:30 pm. Meeting adjourned.

Items Distributed:

Minutes for October 13, 2022, regular meeting.
Black Infant Maternal Health Initiative Handouts.

