HISTORY & PURPOSE OF CPAW

The MHSA, or Prop 63, passed in 2004 by California voters, states MHSA funded services should be peer/client/consumer and family driven, promote wellness, recovery, resilience, and be culturally responsive. Each county should also have a Community Program Planning Process (CPPP) where mental health providers, peers/clients/consumers, their families and the community works together to share information, identify mental health needs and work towards mutual goals to provide integrated services.

In this County, CPAW and other meetings listed here is part of how the CPPP takes place.

CPAW MEMBERSHIP

CPAW participants may become designated CPAW members, if appointed. If you are interested in becoming a member, please attend a few CPAW or sub-committee meetings before applying to become familiar with the meetings. To apply for CPAW membership visit the CPAW web page online; or call or visit the Contra Costa County MHSA office for a printed application.

WHAT IS CPAW AND WHY GET INVOLVED?

CPAW is a group of people or stakeholders, that meet to make recommendations to the Contra Costa County Behavioral Health Services Director about services within Contra Costa County's public mental health system.

CPAW allows persons with lived experience receiving public mental health services or loved ones of those receiving public mental health services and the community to be involved in shaping services in this County's public mental health system and provide input on for the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) programming in Contra Costa County. It also upholds the MHSA values of transparency and inclusion.
**CPAW SUB-COMMITTEES**

The CPAW Sub-Committees meet at the MHSA Office at 1220 Morello Avenue, Suite 100 in Martinez. For more info call (925) 957-2617.

- **Innovation Committee**: Recommends new projects and evaluates them. Meets quarterly on fourth Monday of the month from 2:30pm - 4pm.

- **Membership Committee**: Recommends potential CPAW members to the Behavioral Health Services Director. Meets as needed, third Monday of the month from 3pm - 4:30pm.

- **Steering Committee**: Develops the CPAW General Meeting agenda and represents CPAW on select issues. Meets third Thursday of the month from 2pm - 3pm.

- **System of Care Committee**: Allows for stakeholder input in emerging projects in this County’s Behavioral Health Services system. Meets the second Wednesday of the month from 10am - 11:30am.

**OTHER STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS**

Other Stakeholder Meetings are held in various locations. Please call the number listed for more info.

- **Adult Committee**: Advises and evaluates services for adults ages 18-59. Meets fourth Tuesday of the month from 3pm - 4:30pm. For more info call (925) 957-5150.

- **Aging and Older Adult Committee**: Advises and evaluates services for adults ages 60+. Meets fourth Wednesday of the month from 2pm - 3:30pm. For more info call (925) 957-5150.

- **Alcohol and Other Drugs (AOD) Advisory Board**: Provides input pertaining to alcohol and other drugs prevention, intervention, and treatment services. Meets fourth Wednesday of the month from 4pm - 6:15pm. For more info call (925) 335-3307.

- **Behavioral Health Care Partnership (BHCP)**: Meeting in partnership with Contra Costa Regional Medical Center (CCRMC) to discuss services in relation to Psychiatric Emergency Services (PES). Meets third Thursday of the month from 4pm - 6:15pm. For more info call (925) 957-5206 or (510) 990-2670.

- **Children’s, Teen’s, & Young Adults (CTYA) Committee**: Advises and evaluates services for children and young adults ages 0-25. Meets second Thursday of the month from 10:30am - 12:30pm. For more info call (925) 957-5145 or (925) 608-8706.

**OTHER STAKEHOLDER MEETINGS (CONTINUED)**

- **Continuum of Care**: Led by Division of Health, Housing and Homeless Services; plans and advises on new/existing housing and homeless services. Meetings days and times to be determined. For more info call (925) 608-6716.

- **Mental Health Commission**: Advocates to Board of Supervisors, Mental Health and the community for County residents needing mental health services. Meets first Wednesday of the month from 4:30pm - 6:30pm. For more info call (925) 957-2619.

- **Reducing Health Disparities**: Provides input to Behavioral Health Services Director on methods to reduce disparities and continually work to hold space for culturally responsive services. Meets fourth Monday of the month from 1pm - 2:30pm. For more info call (925) 957-2614.

- **Social Inclusion Committee**: Works to reduce stigma and discrimination, and raise awareness on mental health. Meets second Thursday of the month from 1:30pm - 3:30pm. For more info call (925) 957-5105.

- **Suicide Prevention**: Plans and advises on services in relation to suicide prevention, awareness and support. Meets fourth Friday of the month from 9am - 10:30am. For more info call (925) 957-2617.

- **Training Advisory Workgroup (TAW)**: Advises and evaluates training for Behavioral Health Services staff and contracted agencies. Meets fourth Monday of the month from 3pm - 4:30pm. For more info call (925) 957-5121.