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Are we in the right meeting?

Waynette Brock

12:07

WB

hello Jean

So this is a webinar and not a regular zoom meeting - how do I give public comment ? Is there a form or do I put it in the chat box ?

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Hello, could anyone confirm that this is the Behavioral Health Commission meeting?
confirm

Jean Perry

13:54

JP

This is San Mateo Behavioral Health Commission

Jei Africa (he/his) BHRS

14:02

JA

yes this is the BH Commission meeting

Jean Perry

14:36

JP

To make public comment on Zoom, raise your hand at designated time(s)

Chantae Rochester

14:58

CR

When we get to the public comment section of the agenda you will have the opportunity to give public comment.

Sylvia Tang | She/Her/她 | SMC BHRS ODE

16:13

ST

Hi, Everyone! I believe this is the Behavioral Health Commission Meeting. The agenda is here: https://www.smchealth.org/sites/main/files/file-attachments/bhc_agenda_2023_1004.pdf?1696012168 and can also be found at <https://smchealth.org/bhc>

Jean Perry

16:33

JP

Public comment for non-agendized items will bright after we approve the minutes from last month

Chris Rasmussen

17:00

CR

Thanks Sylvia. We will start shortly

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Thank you, Sylvia

Waynette Brock

17:44

WB

Thank you Sylvia and Chantae

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Link to the BHRS Team Health & Hope for All:

<https://www.namiwalks.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=donordrive.team&teamID=59111>

Please contact the Office of Consumer & Family Affairs for assistance attending the NAMI Walk, 650 573 2673.

I have had my hand up but was not called to speak

Chris Rasmussen

30:17

CR

missed it, sorry. I'll get you after this report out

William E

40:42

WE

Will BHRS provide transportation and lunches for other community based non-profits (i.e. Heart & Soul, Clubhouse, One New Heartbeat) when they do fundraisers? Or just NAMI SMC?

Doris Estremera (she/her)

48:12

DE

The next MHSA Steering Committee is scheduled for Thursday, December 7, 2023 3pm. To stay up-to-date on MHSA, please visit the MHSA website at www.smchealth.org/MHSA, under the Announcement tab

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Transportation and lunches will be for folks with lived experience that contact us at 650 573 2673. We have a capacity to transport 10 folks and have up to 30 lunches, for the first folks that contact us.

Doris Estremera (she/her)

50:03

DE

Edgewood Center provides the Children, Youth and TAY FSP

Waynette Brock

01:16:09

WB

HELLO DORIS

I CAN'T HEAR JEAN

NOW I CAN

Guess I will put this in the chat being that this is a webinar- Public Comment: While the intentions behind Project Guardian may seem noble, it is crucial to address some significant concerns regarding privacy and potential misuse of this database. The lack of stringent parameters and qualifications for those who can add individuals to the registry raises serious questions about the protection of people's personal information. First and foremost, there is a real risk of individuals being added to the registry out of malicious intent. Without proper safeguards and verification processes, anyone could potentially register another person without their consent or against their wishes. This could lead to grave privacy violations and misuse of sensitive personal data.

Equally concerning is the lack of transparency for individuals whose information is added to the registry. Without a means for individuals to know if they have been registered, they are left in the dark regarding the potential exposure of their personal information. While the San Mateo Police Department may have the best intentions to maintain confidentiality, the absence of robust safeguards leaves room for abuse and unintentional harm. It is essential that Project Guardian implements stronger privacy protections, clear verification processes, and a means for individuals to know if they have been added to the registry to address these significant concerns. Privacy should not be sacrificed in the pursuit of safety and security

In addition to the valid concerns already raised, it is essential to consider the potential for bias and the misperception of mental illness within the context of Project Guardian. While the intentions behind this project may be well-meaning, it is crucial to acknowledge that not all individuals with mental health conditions are necessarily disabled or pose a threat to themselves or others. One of the significant concerns with Project Guardian is that it allows individuals who

may not be qualified to diagnose others to add them to the registry. This opens the door to potential bias and misunderstandings about mental health conditions. It is essential to recognize that mental health is a complex and nuanced field, and individuals may have perceptions of mental illness that are not based on accurate information

Moreover, the lack of stringent parameters and qualifications for adding individuals to the registry could inadvertently stigmatize those with mental health conditions. Misuse of this database may reinforce negative stereotypes and discrimination against individuals who are living with mental health challenges but are not necessarily in need of emergency intervention. While the intention to ensure safety is commendable, we must strike a balance between protecting privacy, avoiding potential misuse, and addressing the complexities of mental health. It is crucial that Project Guardian incorporates a more comprehensive approach that considers these factors and takes steps to safeguard individuals' rights and dignity, ensuring that privacy is not sacrificed in the pursuit of safety and security.

William E

01:27:28

WE

San Mateo is doing some things differently than the Sheriff's office. One question is which version is being considered for county-wide adoption.

Waynette Brock

01:28:14

WB

ABSOLUTELY - THANKS

Sylvia Tang | She/Her/她 | SMC BHRS ODE

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San Mateo County Suicide Prevention Committee (SPC) Next Meeting Next SPC is Tuesday, November 7 1:30-3pm via zoom. Details at https://www.smchealth.org/sites/main/files/file-attachments/2023_smc_spc_meeting_schedule.pdf?1696288385. Suicide Prevention Committee (SPC) For more information or to get involved in the SPC or other suicide prevention efforts, please contact: Sylvia Tang, MPP Pronouns: She/Her/Hers Co-Chair, Suicide Prevention Committee Office of Diversity and Equity San Mateo County Behavioral Health & Recovery Services 650-208-5799 | stang@smcgov.org