

Orange County Health Care Agency - Behavioral Health Services
Behavioral Health Equity Committee – Steering Committee

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May 13, 2021 - 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Meeting AGENDA

1:00 Welcome and Introductions

- Reflection
- Introductions
- April 2021 Minutes

1:20 Discussions

BA/ISW/SC Members

- Racism as a Public Health Crisis
- Addressing OC's Hate Crimes: Jennifer Wang, OC Human Relations Commissioner
- Addressing Structural, Systemic and Institutional Racism

2:00 Action Items

BA/ISW/SC Members

- Work Group Updates
- Committee Template: Objective, Priorities, Milestones, and Tasks
- Draft BHEC Bylaws

2:40 Announcements

BA/ISW/SC Members

- Health Equity Summit June 10-11, 2021
- Next BHEC General Meeting

3:00 Adjourn

Next Meeting (tentative date): Thursday June 17, 2021 - 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. *Virtual via ZOOM*

BHEC efforts are focused on the promotion of behavioral health equity for underserved and underserved racial and ethnic communities, as well as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, questioning/queer and intersex (LGBTQI), Veterans, deaf and hard of hearing and other cultural groups. Key strategies are focused on data, policy, quality, and communication.