

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

Co-Chair: Deana Helmy, LMFT, MBA
Ethnic Services Manager, OCHCA

Co-Chair: Luna Lu
Clinical Director, AASCSC

BHEC Steering Committee		Meeting AGENDA
Community Members		January 23, 2025
Duan Tran Professor CalState Fullerton	1:00	Check-In & Welcome
John Reynolds Peer Mentor NAMI OC		Approval of minutes
Johnice Williams Community Liaison		SC Members
Katie Tran Community Member	1:05	Reflection
Mario Ortega Executive Director Abrazar, Inc.	1:15	LL
Sohail Eftekharzadeh Program Director CCS/Pathways		Business
Virginia (Gina) Arvizu-Sanchez Project Director Sacred Path		<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Debrief Retreat, Expectations, Plan for 2025○ New Steering Committee Members Recruitment○ Subcommittee/Workgroup Updates<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Outreach to B/AA○ Deaf and Hard of Hearing○ Spirituality○ API○ LGBTQ+Allies○ LatinX○ SUD○ American-Indian/Native/Indigenous
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County Members		
Andrew Parker BHCII, HCA	2:10	BHAB Update
April Thornton Program Manager, HCA	2:20	Announcements
Belinda McCleese BHC II, HCA	2:30	Public Meeting Agenda Planning
Claudia Gonzalez BHCII, HCA	3:00	All Members
Daniel Gibbs Peer Specialist, HCA		Adjourn
Teresa Renteria Program Manager, HCA		
Next Steering Committee Meeting: March 27, 2025		
Next Public Meeting: Thursday, February 20, 2025 (12:00 pm – 3:00 pm)		

The Behavioral Health Equity Committee is dedicated to impacting behavioral health services by promoting recovery and wellness in diverse communities. Collectively, we aim to: create awareness, eliminate disparities, reduce stigma, increase engagement, recommend community-informed policies, expand equitable access to behavioral health services, and work to ensure culturally responsive, inclusive, intersectional, and trauma-informed care in Orange County.