

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

Co-Chair: Dr. Deana Helmy, EdD, LMFT, MBA
Ethnic Service Manager, OC HCA

Co-Chair: Luna Lu, PsyD
Clinical Director, AASCSC

BHEC Steering Committee Community Members		
Duan Tran Professor Cal State Fullerton	1:00	Check-In & Welcome Approval of Minutes
John Reynolds Peer Support Specialist NAMI OC	1:05	Reflection
Johnice Williams Community Liaison	1:15	Business
Katie Tran Community Member		<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Debrief Public Meeting (May) DH/LL○ Subcommittee/Workgroup Updates<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Outreach to B/AA JW○ Deaf and Hard of Hearing BM○ Spirituality RF○ API LL○ LGBTQ+ Allies ND○ LatinX MO○ SUD AP○ American-Indian/ Native/ Indigenous GA
Mario Ortega Executive Director Abrazar, Inc.	2:10	BHAB Updates DT
Sohail Eftekharzadeh Program Director Clarvida	2:20	Announcements SC Members
Virginia (Gina) Arvizu-Sanchez Project Director Sacred Path	2:30	Public Meeting Agenda Planning All Members
County Member	3:00	Adjourn
Andrew Parker BHC II, HCA		
April Thornton Program Manager, HCA		
Belinda McCleese BHC II, HCA		
Claudia Gonzalez BHC II, HCA		
Nichole Duplesse Health Program Specialist, HCA		
Meeting AGENDA		
		June 26, 2025
		1:00 pm – 3:00pm
Next Steering Committee Meeting: July 24, 2025		
Next Public Meeting: Thursday, August 28, 2025 (12:00pm – 3:00pm)		

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.