

- Revisited strategic considerations for public meeting accessibility of time changes to 4-6pm, holding meetings at community-gathering locations, and workgroups encouraged to promote community attendance.

IV. BHAB & Policy Updates

- Provided a policy update on the BHIP 30-day public comment period. The committee reviewed the email distributed by BHSA.
- A separate email reminder will be sent to further encourage public review and comment.

V. Subcommittee/Workgroup Updates

- **Black/African American (B/AA)**
 - Announced that Sohail received an MHA award.
 - Discussed developing a database to support EIAP-related objectives.
- **Deaf and Hard of Hearing (D/HH)**
 - Reported new, active members joining meetings.
 - Continued discussion on interpretation challenges and opportunities to expand engagement with the DHH community.
- **American Indian/Native/Indigenous (AI/NI)**
 - Reported the success of the February Pow Wow at Magnolia High School.
 - Attendance reached approximately 1,500 participants (goal was 250).
- **Spirituality Workgroup**
 - Building a recruitment listserv using Microsoft Forms.
 - Seeking opportunities for cross-collaboration with other workgroups.
- **Substance Use Disorder (SUD)**
 - Actively participating in the OC CHIP group.
 - Comparing goals and populations to identify opportunities to reach and engage specific communities within this space.

Next Steering Committee Meeting: April 23, 2026 (1:00pm – 3:00pm)

Next Public Meeting: TBD June 22, 2026 (4:00pm – 6:00pm)