

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

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Meeting AGENDA

February 26, 2026

1:00 pm – 3:00pm

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| 1:00 Check-In & Welcome | SC Members |
| 1:05 Reflection | |
| 1:15 Business | |
| o Recap EIAP/Workgroup Reporting | WS |
| ▪ Reminder: EIAP Quarterly Check-In (3/27) | WS |
| o Newsletter: Equity Exchange | SC Members |
| o Sign-Up (Landing Page) via Constant Contact | DH/WS |
| 1:50 March Public Meeting Agenda Planning | All Members |
| o BHSA Data (Demographic Forms/Satisfaction Surveys) | Cheryl – CPP |
| o Marketing, Social Media, & Email Campaigns | WS |
| o BHEC Summit 09/24 from 9am – 2pm | All Members |
| 2:35 Subcommittee/Workgroup Updates | |
| • Outreach to B/AA | JW |
| • Deaf and Hard of Hearing | BM |
| • Spirituality | RF |
| • API | LL |
| • LGBTQ+ Allies | ND |
| • LatinX | MO |
| • SUD | CG |
| • American-Indian/ Native/ Indigenous | GA |
| 2:40 BHAB & Policy Updates | DT/DH |
| o OC BHIP 30-Day Public Comment Period | |
| 2:45 Announcements | SC Members |
| 3:00 Adjourn | |

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

Next Public Meeting: March 30, 2026 (4:00pm – 6:00pm)

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.