



Dear Behavioral Health Allies and Stakeholders,



The County Behavioral Health Directors Association of California (CBHDA) partners with allies and stakeholders to support legislation and public policy initiatives that envision a comprehensive behavioral health care system with a full array of mental health and substance use disorder services. In consultation with the County Directors, the California State Association of Counties (CSAC), and other behavioral health stakeholders, County Directors and staff address legislation that impacts community and individual health and wellness. The CBHDA Legislative Score Card is a part of that work.

This Legislative Scorecard is a valuable tool enabling behavioral health stakeholders to identify how their Assemblymembers, Senators, and the Governor positioned themselves on these important measures.

To that end, CBHDA has identified key priorities for advocacy, including Housing and Homelessness; Child and Family Services; Substance Use Disorder Prevention and Treatment; the Mental Health Services Act; and Behavioral Health Services for Criminal Justice-Involved Individuals.

In addition to our several sponsored and co-sponsored bills, CBHDA advocated with the Legislature, the Governor's Department of Finance, and the Department of Health Care Services for additional state resources to support behavioral health services. The areas that have benefitted from increased funding, due in part to our advocacy, include the Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System; Homeless Mentally III Outreach and Treatment; Incompetent to Stand Trial diversion programs; EPSDT Performance Outcomes System; Workforce, Education, and Training programs; and a reduction in county fiscal liability for new state and federal changes.

Through **CBHDA's Behavioral Health 2020 Initiative** county behavioral health leaders will continue to advocate for reforms to the delivery and financing of public mental health and substance use disorder services. With the Behavioral Health 2020 Initiative and other efforts, CBHDA will continue to support the delivery of high quality, cost-effective, culturally competent mental health and substance use disorder care for Californians.

Sincerely,

Thomas Renfree

Interim Executive Director

We proudly present the 2018 County Behavioral Health Directors Legislative Score Card.

The legislation CBHDA supported has been separated into five major policy areas:

housing and homelessness, children and youth, substance use disorders, the Mental Health Services Act and criminal justice. The legislation included in our Score Card are priority bills, but do not reflect our full policy agenda for this legislative session. While reviewing this Score Card, keep in mind that it is a partial picture of legislation related to behavioral health during the 2018 session.

Key to voting section

For scoring purposes, legislators will be scored on Policy Committee Votes and Floor Votes. Each chance that a legislator got to vote is counted as one point. We have calculated a legislator's score based upon their percentage of votes with CBHDA. If the Governor, a Senator or Assemblymember chose to take the opposite position that we took, we counted it against them. Considering each member is encouraged to "add on" their vote at the end of a floor session or hearing, an abstention is considered to have the same negative impact for the Legislation and therefore is calculated as voting against our position.

If a legislator was present for less than 75 percent of votes, we were unable to score them and the Legislator received an Incomplete.

Grading scale

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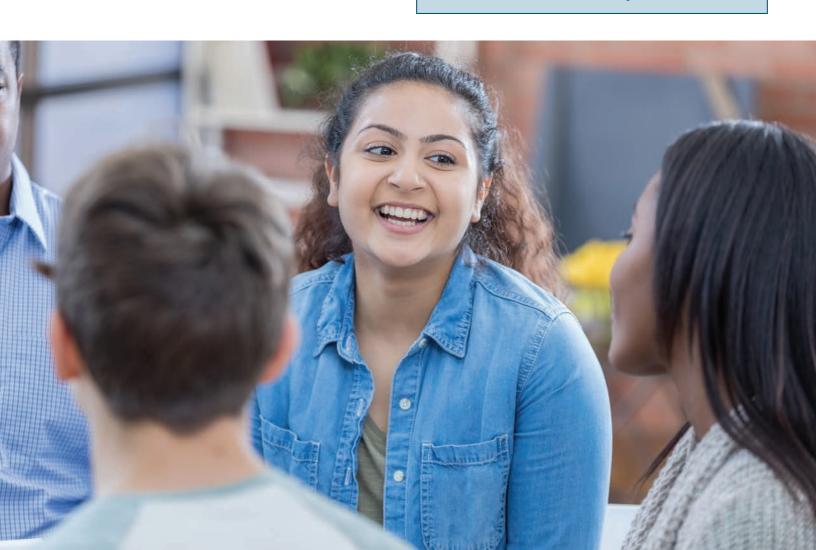
B = 89 - 80

C = 79 - 70

D = 69 - 60

F = 59 and below

INC = Incomplete



To better present the legislation, we grouped bills we supported into five areas: Housing and Homelessness, Children and Youth, Mental Health Services Act, Substance Use Disorders and Criminal Justice. These topics represent issues that were most important to CBHDA this legislative session.

Housing and Homeless:

AB 1921 (Maienschein) CalWORKs: Housing Assistance - Support

Expands the types of housing for which a CalWORKs housing assistance payment may be made by eliminating that a housing provider must have a history of renting properties to families requesting assistance who have executed a valid lease, sublease or shared housing agreement.

AB 2219 (Ting) Landlord-tenant: 3rd Party Payments - Support

Provides protections allowing landlords to accept rent payments from third-parties without creating new tenancies.

SB 918 (Wiener) Homeless Youth Act - Support

Requires the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council to establish goals to prevent youth homelessness, improve health and safety of homeless youth and increase system integration to prevent homelessness for child welfare or justice involved youth.

Children and Youth:

AB 2043 (Arambula) Foster children and youth: Family Urgent Response System - Cosponsor

Requires county child welfare, probation and behavioral health agencies to establish county-based Family Urgent Response Systems for the provision of mobile crisis-response services to current or former foster youth and their caregivers. Requires the establishment of a statewide hotline to be available 24 hours per day.

AB 2193 (Maienschein) Maternal mental health - Support

Requires licensed healthcare providers to offer screening for maternal mental health conditions. Requires health plans and insurers to develop mental health programs to improve quality and cost-effective outcomes.

AB 2328 (Nazarian) Youth Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery Program Act - Sponsor

Requires the Department of Health Care Services to develop regulations and standards for a comprehensive continuum of substance use disorder services for California youth under age 21.

AB 2691 (Jones-Sawyer) Trauma-Informed Schools Initiative - Support

Requires the California Department of Education to establish the Trauma-Informed Schools Initiative to address the impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences on educational outcomes of California students.

AB 3067 (Chau) Internet marketing to youth - Support

Bans the marketing of cannabis products or businesses to minors via the internet.

SB 275 (Portantino) Substance use disorder treatment: youth - Support

Requires the Department of Health Care Services to develop regulations and standards for a comprehensive continuum of substance use disorder care for California youth and young adults under age 26, and establishes a 13-member advisory board.

Mental Health Services Act:

SB 192 (Beall) Mental Health Services Act Reserves and Reversion - Support

Establishes the Prudent Reserve level for local Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) funds not to exceed 33% of the average Community Services and Support revenues over the past five years. Establishes the MHSA Reversion Account to collect MHSA funds that have not been spent within three years.

AB 2843 (Gloria) Mental Health Services Fund - Oppose

Requires Mental Health Services Act revenues subject to Reversion to be reallocated to cities, special districts, school districts, or other public entities for mental health services.

SB 688 (Moorlach) Mental Health Services Act: revenue and expenditure reports - Sponsor

Requires the Mental Health Services Act Annual Revenue and Expenditures Report to comply with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and to be submitted electronically in a machine-readable format to the Department of Health Care Services.

SB 1004 (Wiener) Mental Health Services Act: prevention and early intervention - Support

Requires the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission to establish statewide priorities for the use of Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) funds and to develop a statewide strategy for monitoring PEI expenditures.

Substance Use Disorders:

AB 1751 (Low) Controlled substances: CURES database - Support

Authorizes the Department of Justice to enter into an agreement with an entity operating an interstate data sharing hub to participate in interjurisdictional information sharing between prescription drug monitoring programs across state lines.

AB 1795 (Gipson) Emergency medical services: behavioral health facilities and sobering centers - Support

Allows, under certain circumstances, transfer to a designated mental health or sobering center instead of a hospital emergency department.

AB 2760 (Wood) Naloxone hydrochloride and other FDAapproved prescription drugs - Support

Requires a prescriber to offer a prescription for naloxone hydrochloride or another opioid antagonist for patients under certain conditions. Requires a prescriber to provide education on overdose prevention to patients receiving a prescription for naloxone.

AB 2861 (Salas) Medi-Cal: telehealth: substance use disorders - Cosponsor

Authorizes Medi-Cal reimbursement for substance use disorder individual counseling services provided via telehealth by a Licensed Practitioner of Healing Arts and Certified Substance Use Disorder Counselors, in accordance with California's Medicaid State Plan.

SB 992 (Hernandez) Alcoholism or drug abuse recovery or treatment facilities - Support

Requires residential SUD providers to develop a discharge and continuing care plan for clients who relapse while in treatment, and prevents residential programs from discharging clients for receiving medication-assisted treatment.

SB 1125 (Atkins) Federally qualified health center and rural health clinic services - Support

Requires the state to allow Federally Qualified Health Centers and Rural Health Centers to bill Medi-Cal for two visits in the same day under specified conditions for certain physical health and mental health conditions.

SB 1156 (Leyva) Health care service plans: 3rd-party payments - Support

Requires a financially interested entity that is making a 3rd-party premium payment under a health care service plan to provide specified information and assistance.

SB 1268 (Bradford) / SB 1228 (Lara) Addiction treatment payment for referrals - Support

Prohibits the practice of "patient brokering," or "selling" patients to addiction treatment centers in exchange for financial or other benefits.

Criminal Justice:

AB 865 (Levine) Resentencing of veterans - Support

Requires courts to consider Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, Traumatic Brain Injury and other service-induced mental health and cognitive problems as mitigating factors for convictions of veterans when the crime occurred prior to January 1, 2015.

SB 1010 (Beall) Parolee supportive housing pilot program - Cosponsor

Establishes a supportive housing pilot program for parolees living with mental illness who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

Other Important Areas:

AB 2018 (Maienschein) Mental health workforce loan forgiveness, loan repayment, and scholarship programs - Support

Requires the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development to include expansion plans for loan forgiveness and scholarship programs in return for a commitment to work in California's public mental health system.

SB 906 (Beall) Medi-Cal: Peer support specialist certification mental health and substance use order conditions - Support

Creates a statewide peer support specialist certification program as a part of California's Medi-Cal program mental health and substance use disorder delivery system.



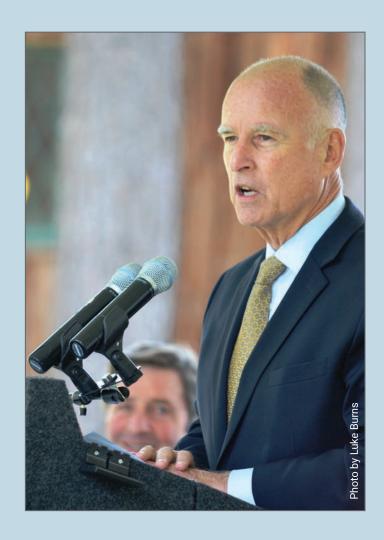
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SB 275		Vetoed
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SB 906		Vetoed
SB 192	Chaptered	





Champions for Better Health and Directing Advocacy

Our strategies for improving care and preparing for the future through our Behavioral Health 2020 Initiative

Here are our four key strategies:

1. Promote Regional Approaches

- Explore options for regional planning, administration, and delivery of behavioral health services
- Improve variance among individual counties and regions of the state
- · Increase efficiency through collective efforts
- Consider each county's Medi-Cal managed care model and examine whether multi-county options would improve beneficiary care and administrative efficiency

2. Improve Fiscal Efficiency, Effectiveness

- Move toward the national health care reimbursement trends of payment for value
- · Move to a risk-based reimbursement structure
- · Focus on beneficiary outcomes and managing risk

3. Promote Care Coordination

- Focus on the beneficiary outcomes that would be improved with better coordinated care for all beneficiaries
- Ensure bi-directional access to physical health care and behavioral health care for people with multiple chronic conditions
- Improve beneficiaries' access to care, which includes reevaluating the organization of the mild/moderate mental health benefit
- Build on the goals and early lessons of Whole Person Care and Health Homes
- Integration of care with other county and state agencies, community-based organizations and school systems to address the opioid crisis and homelessness

4. Support Integration of Mental Health & Substance Use Disorder Services

- 56 of 58 Counties have merged the administration of mental health and substance use disorder services into Behavioral Health systems
- Reimbursement, state-county contracts, documentation and reporting, and oversight are still very much siloed
- Many beneficiaries have co-morbid behavioral health conditions impacting their recovery and wellness





Association Accomplishments

Securing Funds...



Secured \$148 million in state General Funds to help pay for one of the biggest historical expansions of substance use disorder treatment in California, under the Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System Waiver.



Reduced by \$50 million the counties' exposure for repayments of federal Medicaid funds by successfully advocating with DHCS that disallowed claims identified in a federal Office of the Inspector General (OIG) draft audit report on Medi-Cal Specialty Mental Health be re-reviewed. As a result, the OIG's recommendation of federal funds to be repaid by California shrank from \$230 million to \$180 million. The Association continues to negotiate on behalf of counties with CSAC and the County Counsels Association on the final payment amount to CMS, payment schedule and to promote harm reduction to counties and the clients they serve.



Helped to shape the Governor's budget proposals for Homeless Mentally III Outreach and Treatment (\$50 million), and Incompetent to Stand Trial diversion program (\$100 million).

Championing Ideas...



Convened a highly successful 2017 Behavioral Health Policy Forum in San Diego, featuring health and social services leaders and a keynote address from Google Verily.



Hosted the first-ever CBHDA Annual Policy Forum Awards Dinner, honoring a Sacramento Superior Court judge, health care and law enforcement partners, and a consumer in recovery.



Adopted a CBHDA Legislative Platform. This Platform is an outreach tool for CBHDA to access the behavioral health community at the capitol and in the statewide policy community.

Planning for the Future...



Reduced counties' administrative burden for implementing the EPSDT Performance Outcomes System by convincing DHCS to reduce the frequency of clinicians needed to administer the Child & Adolescent Needs & Strengths (CANS) and by extending the implementation date.



Reduced county fiscal liability for new state and federal changes by advocating that State General Funds be provided for implementation under Proposition 30, including Continuum of Care Reform and Federal Medicaid Managed Care regulations.



Sponsored/co-sponsored five state legislative bills on MHSA Revenue & Expenditure Reports, Mobile Response Services for Foster Youth, Supportive Housing Pilot for Parolees, Youth Substance Disorder Treatment and Recovery, and Medi-Cal Telehealth for Substance Use Disorders.

