



August 20, 2018

Subject: MHSA Steering Committee -- Postpone Meetings

Dear Community Stakeholders:

I am writing to inform you that the Department of Health Services (DHS) Leadership Team has decided to temporarily suspend the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Steering Committee meeting facilitated by the Behavioral Health Division.

The DHS Leadership Team will be pausing to reexamine the state requirements for stakeholder input and create a new MHSA Steering Committee structure, including a definition of roles, bylaws, and goals. The new structure will also include a broader solicitation of MHSA Steering Committee members.

Please do not hesitate to contact Amy Faulstich, MHSA Coordinator at Amy.Faulstich@sonoma-county.org if you have any questions or concerns. The Behavioral Health Division plans on sending a new invitation letter to solicit membership this fall 2018.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we continue to restructure our system of care and physically move into our new behavioral health campus at The Lakes in West Santa Rosa.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Kozart".

Dr. Michael Kozart, MD, PhD
Interim Division Director