



# Introduction

## July 2025

### **July is Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) Awareness Also known as Minority Mental Health Awareness Month**

National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month honors the memory of Bebe Moore Campbell, an American author, journalist, teacher, and mental health advocate who worked to shed light on the mental health needs of the Black community and other underrepresented communities.

This month, BHRS is raising awareness to uplift voices, promote equitable care, and advocate for culturally competent support and honoring the unique mental health challenges faced by Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC). BIPOC communities often experience systemic barriers to mental health care, cultural stigma, and historical trauma — all of which can impact well-being.

Here are three things to help support yourself, others and the BIPOC Community:

- Take care of yourself.
- Take care of your community.
- Advocate for change.

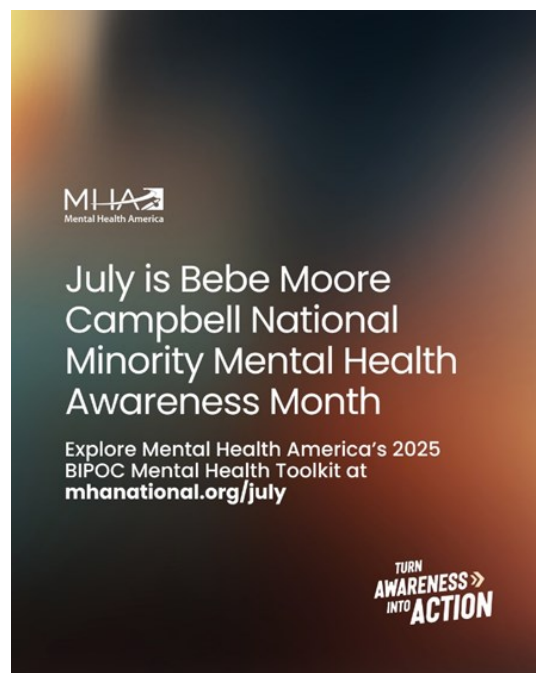
**Take a moment for a mental health check in on yourself and take a mental health test at [mhascreening.org](https://mhascreening.org).**

#### **Help is Available!**

**24/7 Crisis Line:** 1-855-838-0404

**Warm Line** for *Non-Crisis Emotional Support*: (707) 472-2311 or Toll-Free: 1-833-955-2510

**988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline** *Call, Text, or Chat* online anytime 24/7 at [988lifeline.org](https://988lifeline.org)





# An Effective County Government Organization

## July 2025

### Mental Health - Mental Health Services Act (MHSA)

**July kicks off a new fiscal year, and that means a new calendar of Stakeholder events!**

Mental Health Services Act and Quality Improvement Committee Stakeholder forums are scheduled through the end of the calendar year. Stakeholder events are an opportunity for anyone interested or affected by the Behavioral Health specialty system to learn about data, information, and resources and to provide feedback on experiences.

**BHRS will host the following stakeholder communication meeting:**

- Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Forum/ Quality Improvement Committee on Wednesday, August 27, 2025, from 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM at the Center, 200 Main Street, Point Arena, CA 95468 and via Teams [link](#).



Mendocino County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services  
**Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) & Quality Improvement Committee (QIC) Stakeholder Forum Schedule for 2025/2026**

As part of the Community Program and Planning (CPP) Process, Mendocino County holds a series of stakeholder meetings for consumers, their families, County staff, service providers, and the community to provide the County MHSA/QIC team with input for program needs and challenges.

Dates and Times:	Location and Via Virtual Meeting Link:
Wednesday, August 27, 2025 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Point Arena, The Center 200 Main Street 95468 Via Teams: <a href="#">Link</a>
Thursday October 2, 2025 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Covelo, Yuki Trails 23000 Henderson Road 95428 Via Teams: <a href="#">Link</a>
Wednesday December 3, 2025 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm 4-2-2026	Redwood Valley, Behavioral Health Regional Training Center 8207 East Road 95470 Via Teams: <a href="#">Link</a>

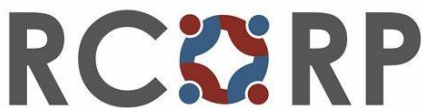
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### Substance Use Disorder Treatment (SUDT)

SUDT is currently researching additional grants to enhance and expand prevention and treatment services.

SUDT Prevention team has attended 9 events and is working to create a California Friday Night Live Partnership program (FNL) chapter in South Valley. They have created a calendar for the upcoming year's events and will be working on cross training staff to be informed and speak about all programs in the Health Services departments at



RURAL COMMUNITIES OPIOID RESPONSE PROGRAM

future events. They have used RCORP funding for several purchases of table swag for upcoming events.

The Opioid Task Force continues to add additional agencies to the team. They have met several times and have concurred to work towards a Prevention and intervention approach.

The Public Defender's office has made several referrals for eligible Prop 36 individuals. Staff continue to screen and assess referrals.

# Other/Additional Information

July 2025



## Substance Use Disorder Treatment (SUDT)

SUDT and Prevention have NARCAN, COVID-19 tests, Fentanyl test strips, and Xylazine test strips in our lobby for easy access to the populations in treatment. There are also NARCAN, COVID-19 tests, Fentanyl test strips, and Xylazine test strips in our main lobby for access to the public.

## Public Conservator Office

The Number of LPS conserved individuals in May 2025 was consistent with the previous months. The Public Conservator office and the placement team is always reviewing individuals in higher level of placements to work towards achieving their goals to be eligible for lower level of placements including independent housing. In May 2025, there were more clients placed out of county than in county due to needing higher level of care.

Number of Clients Placed In and Out of County			
FY 24/25	Out of County	In County	Total Number of Clients
May 2025	45	19	64

LPS Conservatorship (Mental Health) Placement Costs FY 24/25			
FY 24/25	Total Costs	General Funds	Realignment Funds
May 2025	\$327,984.10	\$0	\$327,984.10
<b>Total (YTD)</b>	<b>\$3,586,861.69</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,586,861.69</b>

### LPS Conservatorship

A conservatorship established under the Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) Act provides individualized treatment, supervision, and placement for individuals who are gravely disabled due to a mental health disorder or chronic alcoholism, as defined under Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5350.

### Grave Disability

Gravely disabled refers to a condition in which an individual, as a result of a mental health disorder or chronic alcoholism, is unable to provide for their basic personal needs for food, clothing, or shelter, as defined in the Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) Section 5008 (h)(1)(A) and (2). The term also applies to individuals who have been charged with a crime, found mentally incompetent under Penal Code Section 1370, and who meet the additional criteria outlined in WIC Section 5008(h)(1)(B).

MHA Mental Health America

TURN AWARENESS INTO ACTION

Check in with yourself today.

Take a free, confidential mental health screen and get the help you deserve.

[mhascreening.org](https://mhascreening.org)

Celebrate Bebe Moore Campbell National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month and explore more resources at [mhanational.org/july](https://mhanational.org/july)