

**CHILDREN'S TREATMENT & RECOVERY
SERVICES COMMITTEE****April 9, 2026****Attendees:**

KernBHRS - Jason Giffard, Brad Davis, Kathleen Rodriguez, Cristina Castro, Stuart Shevchenko, Elda Guzman, Susie Baker, Karen Friedman, Noelia Irvin, Kassandra Austin, Maria Aleman
Clarvida - Megan Toscano, Michelle Doucette
Kern Behavioral Health Board – Lashawna Stowe

Recorder: Jessica Torres**1. Welcome and Introductions**

Accomplished.

2. Approval of January 9, 2026, Minutes

Karen Friedman

Kathleen Rodriguez

3. Public Comment

April is Autism Awareness month.

Prevention Team Friday Night Live is offering a short bilingual film at BBHH on 4/17/26 and Wasco Library 4/21/26.

4. High Fidelity Wraparound (HFW) – Brad Davis

- HFW will be implemented on July 1, 2026.
- HFW is for youth with acute behavioral health challenges which is collaborative, family centered, personalized, community-based, has 10 core principals and a 4-phased lifecycle that adheres to the statewide standards and align with the national evidence-based practice models.
- There are 10 core principles:
 - 1. Family voice and choice
 - 2. Team-based
 - 3. Natural supports
 - 4. Collaboration
 - 5. Community-based
 - 6. Culturally respectful
 - 7. Individualized
 - 8. Strength-based
 - 9. Persistent
 - 10. Outcome-based

- There are 4 engagement phases:
 1. Engagement
 2. Assessment
 3. Plan development
 4. Implementation, transition
- There is also a specific staffing pattern the HFW team will follow:
 1. Clinical Supervisor who will see the clinical oversight.
 2. Fidelity Facilitator who will have dual roles to implement the plan of care and bridge the needs.
 3. Family Specialist who works on “the how” of daily life
 4. Fidelity Coach will provide real-time feedback, monitoring, staff mentorship, skill reinforcement and ensuring no model drift.
 5. Community Developer who uncovers natural resources, develops barrier removal and progress sustainability
 6. Parent and Youth Partners that will be support advocates to ensure the family voice is heard.
- As the transition begins, the team will focus on stepping down and stepping up youth, going into transitional space stepping down/up to STRTP.
- HFW will track data outcomes to report on.
- As youth are accepted into HFW the referral pattern will utilize the CANS data to identify strengths, weaknesses, and areas that need to be focused on.
- HFW will have a cap of 24 youth that can be provided with services.
- Flex funding will be available to help with needs of the families.

5. Department Reports

Children’s System of Care (CSOC) Report

- As HFW implements there will be updates and changes prior to full implementation.
- The tiered rate structure will be implemented in 2027; it will help guide in treatment and will be based off the CANS outcomes.
- TFCO has completed recertification and currently has 4 placements and has availability for referrals. TFCO will be holding a foster parent training on 6/6/26.

Substance Use Disorder System Report

- MAT accepts TAY referrals.
- The walk-in clinics are up and running at KLD.
- SUD access lines are accepting adolescent youth.
- CalWORKs had 2 referrals but were unsuccessful, they are open for referrals.

6. Items to be brought to the Board

- None

7. Provider Issues

- Providers discussed the challenges of client engagement.

8. Future Presentations

Clarvida -Adolescent SUD services
Friday Night Live

9. Other

10. Next regular meeting:

July 9, 2026, Commonwealth Cedar Room at 3:30 pm. Meeting adjourned.

Items Distributed:

Minutes for January 9, 2026, regular meeting.