

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
COMMISSION ON ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUGS (CAOD)**

**Meeting Minute Summary  
September 11, 2024**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Commissioners Rebecca Birotte, Bruce Boardman, Amanda Cowan, Deena Duncan, Alicia Garoupa, Tonya McKenzie, Mark Mendoza, Jr., Juan Navarro, Avia Rosen, John Ho Song, and Howard Winkler

**COMMISSIONERS REQUESTING EXCUSED ABSENCES:** Commissioners Tony Bell, Christina Gonzales, Dean Nakanishi, Charles Robbins, Bennett Root, Jr., Jerry G. Velasco, G. Lola Worthington

**UNEXCUSED ABSENCES:** Edward Elizalde, Jozef Essavi, Jack Hadjinian, Ruben Rodriguez

**GUEST REGISTER:** Stephanie Chen and Yanira Lima, Substance Abuse Prevention and Control (SAPC)

**MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED:** Commission on Alcohol and Other Drugs September 11, 2024 Agenda; Commission on Alcohol and Other Drugs July 2024 Minutes – Draft; PowerPoint Handout – Program Updates: Youth Prevention and Treatment Initiatives

Topic	Discussion/Finding
1. Call to Order & Introduction of Commissioners and Guests	Vice Chair Tonya McKenzie, County of Los Angeles, the Commission on Alcohol and Other Drugs convened the meeting at 12:40 P.M.  Vice Chair Tonya McKenzie asked for self-introductions from all Commissioners and guests.  Quorum not present.
2. Public Comments	No public comment.
3. Action on AB2449 and Excuse Absence	Quorum not present. Item tabled.
4. Action on Meeting Minutes for July 2024 meeting	Quorum not present. Item tabled.
5. Report from SAPC on Program Updates: Youth Prevention and Treatment Initiatives	Stephanie Chen, LCSW, MPH, Chief of Community and Youth Engagement of SAPC provided updates on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strategy for Primary Preventions in Youth</li> <li>• Youth Services Provided</li> <li>• Youth Overdose Prevention</li> <li>• School Based Prevention Programs</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Program and Highlights – SPA 3</li> <li>• LA County Our SPOT Program: Youth Activities, Outcomes</li> <li>• How to Get Involved</li> </ul> <p>Yanira Lima, MPA, MHM, Chief of Treatment Services Division – Systems of Care of SAPC provided updates on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strategies for Youth Treatment Advances</li> <li>• Percentage of Youth Patients (Admissions) Served from Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-19 to FY 2022-23</li> <li>• Gender Among Youth Patients, FY 2022-23</li> <li>• Race/Ethnicity Among Youth Patients, FY 2022-23</li> <li>• Primary Substance Use Among Youth Patients at Admission, FY 2018-19 to FY 2022-23</li> <li>• Los Angeles County: Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Youth Provider Network At-a-Glance</li> <li>• Los Angeles County Available SUD Benefits</li> <li>• Engagement Efforts for Youth</li> <li>• The Road to SUD Services Within Probation’s Juvenile Justice Detention Facilities</li> </ul>
6. Comments from Commissioners on Items of Interest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AI-Impics Committee Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Event will be held this Saturday, September 14, 2024 at the Los Angeles Harbor College</li> <li>○ Vice Chair McKenzie asked that all Commissioners who will be attending, let her know so that she can provide parking accommodations</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Vice Chair McKenzie provided updates on the Meth Task Force Meeting that she had attended.</li> </ul>
7. Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 2:12 P.M.

**Next meeting date:**  
 October 9, 2024, at 12:30 p.m.  
 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
 500 W. Temple Avenue, Sybil Brand Commission Room, Suite 372  
 Los Angeles, California 90012