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A discussion ensued about the structure and process of the new grant program and the HELP II program. The Authority directed staff to analyze the HELP II program and whether any changes should be recommended for that program in addition to continued exploration of the second CHAMP grant program.

Mrs. Rice left the meeting at 2:37 P.M.

**Agenda Item #11** **Investment in Mental Health Wellness Act of 2013,  
Grant Funding Progress**

Ms. Liebert introduced, Robert Oakes, Executive Director, County Behavioral Health Directors Association of California and Diane Van Maren, Independent Policy Consultant.

Ms. Liebert reported that after two funding rounds of the Investment in Mental Health Wellness Grant Program (IMHWGP), CHFFA has approximately \$61 million in grant program funds remaining and available for subsequent funding rounds, primarily for the Crisis Residential Treatment programs. At the January 29, 2015 Authority meeting, there was a roundtable discussion to determine the next steps for the IMHWGP. The Authority decided to wait for survey questionnaire results that were sent by the County Behavioral Health Directors Association of California to the 52 counties in California to determine the counties' needs.

A summary of the results were presented in a report to help the Authority address the remaining grant program funds.

A discussion ensued about the survey results.

Ms. Van Maren explained the difficulties of creating a crisis residential program and the great need for them. She also mentioned that a key finding of the survey was that many counties still have a need for crisis stabilization funds, which have been almost depleted. She mentioned the demand for a peer support stabilization program, which is another model that is less urgent than crisis stabilization that can be sustained. Mr. Oakes clarified that it is also called peer respite program (a cheaper, evidenced based crisis stabilization model with certified people with lived experiences and not clinical professionals). Mr. Oakes explained that the peer respite program would be beneficial to the smaller counties.

Ms. Van Maren suggested that the Authority may want to consider getting approval to move a portion of the crisis residential funds to crisis stabilization.

Mr. Buckhorn expressed that he would like to see the funds utilized by more counties that have not applied and have not been successful in developing programs.

Mr. Reyes left the meeting at 2:53 P.M.

**Agenda Item #12 Children’s Hospital Program Annual Reports to the Legislature**

Janae Davis, staff analyst, introduced Ann-Louise Kuhns, President and Chief Executive Officer of the California Children’s Hospital Association. Ms. Davis reported that the 2014 Annual Reports of Children’s Hospital Program of 2004 (Proposition 61) and the Children’s Hospital Program of 2008 (Proposition 3) were submitted to the Assembly, Senate, Legislative Counsel, and the Department of Finance.

Over approximately \$68 million remains available to Loma Linda University Children’s Hospital through the Children’s Hospital Program of 2004 and approximately \$304 million remains available to eight hospitals through the Children’s Hospital Program of 2008. Details were in the reports provided to the Authority members.

**Agenda Item #13 HELP II Loan Program Bi-Annual Report**

Rosalind Brewer, Program Manager presented the HELP II Loan Program Semi Annual Report.

Mr. Buckhorn recommended staff explore whether CHFFA could give eligible borrowers lower interest rates.

Ms. Frank stated she would like the HELP II Loan Program to be re-examined with new ideas.

Mr. Hansen stated he wished to explore the opportunity for for-profit providers to be eligible under CHFFA’s statute for the HELP II loan program.

**Agenda Item #14, 15, 16 Other Business/Public Comment/Adjournment**

Ms. Liebert noted the article, “Firebaugh Doctor Received Statewide Honor for Decades in Rural Health Care” regarding Authority member Dr. Sablan.

Ms. Liebert also clarified that the next meeting is tentatively scheduled on March 26, 2015.

Chairman Gordon asked for public comment. Hearing none and with no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:29 P.M.