



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Santa Barbara, CA 93101
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Department Name: ADMHS
Department No.: 043
For Agenda Of: 12-16-08
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Ann Detrick, Ph.D., Director
Director(s) Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services 805-681-5220
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SUBJECT: Contractor on Payroll Contract, Peter Tilton MD

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

Consider recommendations regarding a Contractor on Payroll agreement with Peter Tilton, MD, as follows:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute a Contractor on Payroll agreement with Peter Tilton, MD to provide psychiatric services to clients with mental illness increasing an existing contract CN08625 by \$30,548 for a new contract maximum in the amount of \$55,188 through March 8, 2009.
- b) Authorize the Director of ADMHS to approve amendments to the proposed contract, provided that any such amendments do not exceed ten percent (10%) of the contract's dollar amount.

Summary Text:

Peter Tilton, MD is providing temporary psychiatrist coverage for the Santa Maria Crisis and Recovery Emergency Services (CARES North) under a Purchase Order Agreement. CARES North provides mental health services to adults with serious mental illness, including medication support, evaluation, and treatment. Due to the extended absence of a CARES North psychiatrist, it is necessary to extend Dr. Tilton's contract through March 8, 2009. As a result of this, Board of Supervisors approval is required. Dr. Tilton works alternating three 6-hour day weeks with four 6-hour day weeks. This contract complies with the County of Santa Barbara Contractor on Payroll Policy.

Background:

The CARES program offers residents access to crisis assessment and crisis resolution services outside of regular business hours. CARES serves as a 24/7/365 resource for crisis services that are coordinated with other services including ADMHS clinics, community-based organizations, law enforcement, shelters, and hospital emergency rooms.

Dr. Tilton is contracted to provide the following services: psychiatric services at CARES North, including prescribing and administering psychiatric medications as needed and providing medication education for staff, clients, and families; training, education and support to ADMHS staff and/or Multi-Disciplinary Team members. He performs intake assessment, diagnosis, treatment planning, and risk assessment for suicide or harm to others for ADMHS clients.

ADMHS has experienced continuing difficulty recruiting and retaining certain key staff, particularly doctors, to the area. In previous years, Contractors on Payroll have successfully bridged the gap and helped ADMHS meet the needs of a growing population. Approval of the recommended action will provide psychiatrist staff at the CARES North facility through the interim period.

Performance Measure:

Approval of the recommended action will help ADMHS meet the following Recurring Performance Measures:

- RPM 0230: To provide mental health services to 5,000 adults with serious mental illness.
- RPM 0236: To improve the mental health of community members, provide prompt assessment, supervision, oversight and referral to 100% of the 800 community members per year who arrive at North County CARES for mental health and/or substance abuse services.
- Reduce the hospitalization rates for North County residents by 21%, from 24 clients to 19 clients per month, by providing an effective 10-day stay crisis stabilization program at North County CARES Residential.

Staffing CARES North contributes to the following outcomes:

- Avoiding involuntary interventions such as hospitalization or incarceration, whenever possible.
- Shifting expenditures from highly restrictive and expensive institutions (e.g., hospital, jail) to community-based care, whenever possible.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State	\$ 35,872.20		
Federal	\$ 19,315.80		
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 55,188.00	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative:

The contract for Dr. Tilton is funded by Realignment and Medi-Cal revenue, identified in the Adopted FY 2008-09 Budget, Federal and State Revenues (page D-160 in the FY 2008-09 County Budget Book, in the Adult Mental Health Services Division). Execution of this contract will not increase the use of general fund dollars by the ADMHS Department.

Special Instructions:

Please send one (1) copy of the minute order and one (1) copy of the executed contract to:

Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services
 ATTN: Contracts
 300 N. San Antonio Road Bldg. 3
 Santa Barbara, CA 93110

Attachments:

08-09 Tilton Contract

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