

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: James L. Broderick, Ph.D., Director
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SUBJECT: Professional Services contracts for Dr. Claudia Henry, Cultural Competency and Training Coordinator and Dr. Eli Katz, MD.

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve and execute a Professional Services contract for Dr. Claudia Henry, a local psychologist, for the term 5/10/04 through 6/30/05, as a Contractor on Payroll for a contract amount not to exceed \$95,000.
- B. Approve and execute an amendment of the Professional Services contract for Dr. Eli Katz, a local psychiatrist, to continue him as a Contractor on Payroll for the term 5/10/04 through 6/30/04, for a contract amount not to exceed \$40,000.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with Goal No. 2. A Safe and Healthy Community in Which to Live, Work and Visit.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

Dr. Claudia Henry is the new Cultural Competency and Training Coordinator for ADMHS. Dr. Henry was the successful candidate from our extensive recruitment process and has significant experience in the Cultural Competency and Training fields in addition to being bilingual. In order to be more efficient in our contracting process, Dr. Henry's contract will run for the remainder of this year through the end of next year.

Dr. Eli Katz is one of several psychiatrists already on contract who provide staffing to the County Jail, Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF) as well as back up to the various clinics in Santa Barbara County. One of the full-time doctors serving in that capacity unexpectedly retired and many of the doctors who would normally provide medical coverage to these clinics have been unavailable. This resulted in an enormous shortage of qualified psychiatric personnel on hand to meet the statutory need. Dr. Katz has continued to make himself available to provide the much needed medical coverage. The \$40,000, amount will carry Dr. Katz through the remainder of the fiscal year.

Dr. Katz' services are connected to the PHF and the Jail and not subject to the Hiring Freeze Waiver process. Dr. Henry's Cultural Competency and Training Coordinator position received waiver approval from the Administrative Office prior to the initiation of the recruitment process. Dr. Henry is the successful candidate as a result of that recruitment.

Your Board is now requested to approve and execute the contracts for Dr. Claudia Henry in the amount of \$95,000 and for Dr. Eli Katz, in the amount not to exceed \$40,000. Both Dr. Henry and Dr. Katz will be Contractors on Payroll. Funding these contracts will enable ADMHS to continue providing state mandated training to practitioners as well as psychiatric coverage to the PHF and Jail at the required rate.

Mandates and Service Levels:

Mental Health Services are mandated by the Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 5600. Both Positions provide state mandate services for ADMHS staff and for incarcerated mentally ill individuals.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

The recommended action has no impact on the General Fund Contribution. The funding sources for these contracts are Medi-Cal revenue realignments funds and for the mandated Cultural Competency and Training Coordinator. For Dr. Katz' position, funding is provided by Medi-Cal revenue and from savings realized by canceling or reducing contracts with other medical service providers. These funding sources are identified in the Adopted FY2003-04, Budget, line item 7460, in the Administration Services Division on page D-134, and in the Adult Services Division page D-142.

These actions will not result in a need for any additional facilities.

Special Instructions:

Please send one (1) fully executed amendment and endorsed minute order to:

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Concurrence:

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