

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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Agenda Number:
Prepared on: 12/06/2004
Department Name: Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health
Department No.: 043
Agenda Date: 01/04/2005
Placement: Administrative
Estimate Time:
Continued Item: NO
If Yes, date from:

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: James L. Broderick, Ph.D., Director
Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services

STAFF CONTACT: Carrie Topliffe, ADMHS Assistant Director - Administration
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SUBJECT: Harold Ginsberg, M.D. Contract.

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve and execute a contract in the amount of \$50,000, with Dr. Harold Ginsberg, M.D., (Ginsberg) a local vendor, to continue providing mental health service to severely mentally ill adults in the North County. The contract term is from July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005.
2. 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.

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:

ADMHS has been impacted by the national shortage of psychiatrists and is continuing its recruiting efforts in an effort to fill vacant Civil Service positions. Harold Ginsberg, M.D., is a medical doctor providing psychiatric services in the Lompoc Adult Clinic. Doctor Ginsberg originally began providing services via a purchase order issued in August, 2004. However, since that date, one of ADMHS's other medical staff has ceased employment and Dr. Ginsberg has agreed to backfill those hours in the interim.

Your Board is now requested to approve the Harold Ginsberg, M.D. contract in the amount of \$50,000. Approval of this contract will allow for continued psychiatric health services to severely mentally ill adults in the North County.

Outcomes

The **Harold Ginsberg, M.D.** contract helps ADMHS meet **Recurring Performance Measure 0215**, to provide effective mental health care to 4,200 seriously mentally ill adults.

Mandates and Service Levels:

Mental Health Services are mandated by the Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 5600.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

The Ginsberg contract is funded by Medi-Cal and realignment. These funding sources are identified in the Adopted FY 2004-05, Budget, line items 5404, Medi-Cal; and 4102, realignment funds in the Adult Services Division, page D-146

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

Special Instructions:

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

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

Concurrence:

Auditor-Controller
Risk Management