



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407
Santa Barbara, CA 93101
(805) 568-2240

Department Name: ADMHS
Department No.: 043
For Agenda Of: 6/17/14
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Takashi Wada, MD, Interim Director
Director(s) Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services, 805-681-5220
Contact Info: Ole Behrendtsen, MD, Medical Director, 681-5220
SUBJECT: Contractor on Payroll (COP) Agreements FY 14-15

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve and authorize a Contractor on Payroll Agreement with George Bajor, M.D., for the period of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 to provide psychiatric services in an amount not to exceed \$71,700;
2. Approve and authorize a Contractor on Payroll Agreement with Harold Ginsberg, M.D., for the period of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 to provide psychiatric services in an amount not to exceed \$114,400;
3. Approve and authorize a Contractor on Payroll Agreement with Daniel Litten, M.D., for the period of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 to provide psychiatric services in an amount not to exceed \$60,000;
4. Approve and authorize a Contractor on Payroll Agreement with Irwin Lunianski, M.D., for the period of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 to provide psychiatric services in an amount not to exceed \$105,600; and
5. Determine that the above actions are government fiscal activities or funding mechanisms which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment, and are therefore not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA guidelines.

Summary Text:

The Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services (ADMHS) Department provides specialty mental health services to adults with mental illness and children with serious emotional disturbances, in part through contracted providers. This contract complies with the Santa Barbara County Contractor on Payroll Policy approved by the Board of Supervisors on October 3, 2006 and has received the concurrence of the CEO/Human Resources Office. Approval of the above listed contract will ensure the continued provision of critical mental health and related services during FY 14-15.

Background:

ADMHS has experienced continuing difficulty recruiting and retaining psychiatrists, to the area. Contractors on Payroll have helped to bridge the gap to provide needed mental health treatment capacity.

George Bajor, M.D. provides psychiatric services at the ADMHS Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF). Psychiatric services include: performing diagnostic suicide, Tarasoff, involuntary admissions; prescription and administration of psychiatric medications, as needed; reviewing and approving assessments and treatment plans of clients; providing consultation, training and support of multi-disciplinary team members; and accommodating urgent or emergent concerns, or walk-ins requests.

Harold Ginsberg, M.D. provides psychiatrist services to clients with co-occurring mental health and alcohol or other drug conditions in the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Bridge to Care program in North County. This program provides psychiatric medication evaluation, prescriptions, and medication monitoring to stabilize individuals with co-occurring mental illness and substance abuse issues. In addition, he will providing needed psychiatrist coverage to the new Lompoc Mobile Crisis Triage Team, funded by the State Bill 82 Triage Personnel grant awarded to ADMHS in February, 2014.

Daniel Litten, M.D. provides psychiatrist services for mandated On-Call and independent evaluations during use of seclusion and restraints at the Psychiatric Health Facility. Psychiatric services include: being on-call Monday through Friday, 6:00 PM to 7:00 AM, and for twenty-four (24) hours on Saturday and Sunday, including holidays. In addition, confers with PHF staff specific to: patient diagnosis; behavior requiring seclusion/restraint or both; prescribing medications; interviews the patient, writes note on the designated seclusion/restraint form; and provide Internal Medicine duties, on-call and as scheduled with complete medical histories and physicals for PHF inpatients within twenty-four (24) hours, and provide follow-up medical care.

Irwin Lunianski, M.D. provides psychiatrist services, assists with Quality Assurance and Utilization Management activities, including performing utilization review for hospital stays and providing disposition for Appeals of hospital denials.

Performance Measure:

- Clients maintaining safe and stable living environments;
- Decrease hospitalizations;
- Increase access to care;
- Decrease number of incarcerations.

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	\$ 175,850		
Federal	\$ 175,850		
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 351,700	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative:

The above referenced contract is funded by a combination of State and Federal revenue. The funding sources have been included in the FY 14-15 Adopted Budget. Execution of this contract will not increase the use of general fund dollars by the ADMHS Department.

Special Instructions:

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

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

Attachments:

George Bajor, M.D., Contractor on Payroll Agreement
Harold Ginsberg, M.D., Contractor on Payroll Agreement
Daniel Litten, M.D., Contractor on Payroll Agreement
Irwin Lunianski, M.D., Contractor on Payroll Agreement

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