

# BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

# Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Department Name: ADMHS
Department No.: 043
For Agenda Of: 8-21-07

Placement: Administrative

**Estimated Tme:** 

Continued I tem: No

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Douglas C. Barton, Interim Director

Director(s) Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services 805-681-5220

Contact Info: Marianne Garrity, Assistant Director, Administration 681-5220

SUBJECT: Contractor on Payroll Contract, John Froelich MD

## **County Counsel Concurrence**

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence** 

As to form: Yes As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

#### **Recommended Actions:**

Consider recommendations regarding a Contractor on Payroll agreement with John Froelich, MD, as follows:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute a Contractor on Payroll agreement with John Froelich, MD, to provide psychiatric services to mentally ill and emotionally disturbed clients for the period of August 27, 2007 through June 30, 2008 in the amount of \$198,880.
- 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:**

John Froelich, MD is joining a group of contractor on payroll psychiatrists providing staffing to the Santa Barbara County ADMHS Clinics. Dr. Froelich will provide psychiatric services at the Santa Maria Outpatient Clinic and provide on-call coverage for the County Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF). Dr. Froelich will perform assessment, diagnosis, treatment planning, and assessment of risk for suicide or harm to others for Santa Maria Clinic and PHF clients. This contract complies with the County of Santa Barbara Contractor On Payroll Policy.

#### **Background:**

Dr. Froelich is contracted to provide the following services: psychiatric services at the Santa Maria Outpatient Clinic 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; and on-call coverage to the PHF outside of regular business hours. When on call, Dr. Froelich will provide direct patient care at the PHF as assigned and respond and confer with PHF staff regarding client diagnosis, review during the use of seclusion and restraint of clients admitted involuntarily, and advise on any medication administered to the patient.

ADMHS has experienced continuing difficulty in 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 help ensure the mentally ill of Santa Barbara County continue to receive expert care while in the Mental Health System.

# Performance Measure:

Approval of the recommended action will help ADMHS meet **Recurring Performance Measures 0215** to provide effective mental health care 4,200 seriously mentally ill adults.

Staffing the ADMHS clinics contributes to the following outcomes:

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

## Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Select\_Budgeted

#### **Fiscal Analysis:**

			<b>Annualized</b>		Total One-Time	
Funding Sources	<u>Cur</u>	rent FY Cost:	<u>On-c</u>	oing Cost:	<u>Pı</u>	roject Cost
General Fund	\$	99,440.00				
State - Realignment						
Federal	\$	99,440.00				
Fees						
Other:						
Total	\$	198,880.00	\$	-	\$	-

Narrative: The contract for Dr. Froelich is funded by combination of Medi-Cal and Realignment. These funding sources are identified in the Adopted FY 2007-08 Budget, Federal and State Revenues line item 4102 – Realignment, Other Charges for Services – Medi-Cal line item 5404 (page D-150 in the County Budget Book), under Adult Mental Health Programs. The proposed expenditures are included in the FY 2007-08 Budget for Contractors on Payroll under Salaries and Employee Benefits, Expenditure Line Item Account 6177. Execution of this amendment 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:**

07-08 Froelich COP Contract

# Authored by:

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