



**COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**  
**Inter-Departmental Correspondence**  
Health System



**Date:** June 11, 2012  
**Board Meeting Date:** July 10, 2012  
**Special Notice / Hearing:** None  
**Vote Required:** Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**From:** Jean S. Fraser, Chief, Health System  
Stephen Kaplan, Director, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services

**Subject:** Agreement with Addiction Research and Treatment, Inc.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a Resolution authorizing an agreement with Addiction Research and Treatment, Inc. for the provision of narcotic replacement therapy services for the term of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013, for a maximum obligation of \$622,654.

**BACKGROUND:**

On April 7, 2009, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) reported to your Board's Health and Human Services (HHS) Committee, that due to the substantial amount of County funds required to operate the County methadone clinic, the Health System would be issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) to identify a private Methadone provider so that the County could close its clinic and assure that methadone services would still be available within the County.

In June 2009 Bay Area Addiction Research and Treatment (BAART) was selected through a competitive RFP process to transition the current County operated Narcotic Replacement Therapy (NRT) program and take responsibility for providing NRT in San Mateo County. However, the County determined it was in its best interest to delay contracting with a new provider and continue to deliver NRT services directly by the County operated clinic until June 2011.

In June 2011 the County's Methadone Program was included in the review of the County's annual budget and approved for closure by your Board at the budget hearings.

On November 15, 2011, pursuant to Section 1442.5 of the California Health and Safety Code (the "Beilenson Act"), your Board conducted a public hearing on the proposed elimination of the County's Methadone Treatment Program, which was approved.

In February 2011 the HHS Committee, approved the recommendation to begin the transition of the County operated Methadone Treatment program. BAART created a separate entity, Addiction Research and Treatment, Inc. (ART) to operate and manage NRT services for San Mateo County clients.

**DISCUSSION:**

Contractor shall provide NRT services for adult Drug/MediCal clients with complex needs. ART has agreed to occupy the current lease on the VA Campus where the Methadone Program was currently housed.

BHRS requests your Board to authorize the Chief of the Health System or designee to execute contract amendments which modify the County's maximum fiscal obligation by no more than \$25,000 (in aggregate), and/or modify the contract term and/or services so long as the modified term of services is/are within the current or revised fiscal provisions.

The agreement and Resolution have been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form. The contractor meets the insurance certification requirements.

The contractor has assured compliance with the County's Contractor Employee Jury Service Ordinance, as well as all other contract provisions that are required by County ordinance and administrative memoranda, including but not limited to insurance, hold harmless, non-discrimination and equal benefits. This agreement is on the Continuing Resolution.

This agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by providing individuals in San Mateo County with prevention and treatment services to support recovery. It is anticipated that 65% of participants will successfully complete all steps of the alcohol and drug treatment program while maintaining sobriety.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):**

Measure	FY 2011-12 Estimate	FY 2012-13 Projected
Percentage of clients who successfully complete all steps of the alcohol and drug treatment program while maintaining sobriety	65%	65%

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The term of the agreement is July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013, and the maximum obligation is \$622,654. State and Federal Drug/Medical allocations will fund 100% of the agreement. There is no Net County Cost. The payment provisions and levels of service in the agreement are essentially the same as the prior agreement. Funds for these services are included in the BHRS FY 2012-13 Recommended Budget.