



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



**Date:** January 23, 2013  
**Board Meeting Date:** February 26, 2013  
**Special Notice / Hearing:** None  
**Vote Required:** Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

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

**Subject:** Agreement with Asian American Recovery Service North County Outreach Collaborative

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a Resolution authorizing an agreement with Asian American Recovery Service, North County Outreach Collaborative to provide Medi-Cal Outreach, Linkage and Case Management services to emotionally disturbed youth and others residing in the north region of San Mateo County for the term of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2014, in an amount not to exceed \$315,288.

**BACKGROUND:**

In April 2012 Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) released a RFP for the provision of outreach and engagement services in the north region of the County. The North County Outreach Collaborative (NCOC) was established to increase access to mental health services by providing Medi-Cal Outreach, Linkage and Case Management services to emotionally disturbed youth and others residing in the north region of San Mateo County. The NCOC is comprised of Pyramid Alternatives (PA), Asian American Recovery Services, Daly City Peninsula Partnership, and the Pacifica Collaborative. The services provided through the NCOC are substantially funded through the Mental Health Services Act. The program will also claim eligible activities through Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (MAA).

**DISCUSSION:**

Asian American Recovery Services (AARS) submitted a proposal to become the lead agency and provide fiscal management oversight for the NCOC. AARS will provide outreach, engagement and psycho-educational and referral services in collaboration with San Mateo County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) in the northern region of the county including Pacifica. The objective of these services is to engage individuals who are currently underserved and who need behavioral health

services in the targeted region and communities such as: Chinese, Filipino, Latino, Pacific Islander and LGBTQ populations of all ages. This agreement was delayed due to communication issues and the approval process with the collaborative.

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 or 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 insurance certification requirements. Real Property has reviewed and approved the License Agreement for use of the County-owned Cordilleras facility.

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.

The Agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by providing mental health services to seriously emotionally disturbed youth. BHRS provides a range of services to promote wellness and recovery and to support consumers gaining access to mental health services. The provision of outreach and engagement services is one established process to increase access to mental health services. The services provided through this Agreement contribute to this measure. It is anticipated that 325 referrals for mental health services will be made per fiscal year.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):**

Measure	FY 2011-12 Actual	FY 2012-13 Projected
Number of clients referred to BHRS for mental health services	325	325

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The term of the agreement is July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2014, and the maximum obligation is \$315,288. For FY 2012-2013 the maximum obligation is \$157,644, which will be 90% funded through the Mental Health services Act, and 10% funded through Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (MAA). There is no Net County Cost. Funds for this Agreement are included in the BHRS FY 2012-13 Adopted Budget. Similar arrangements will be made for FY 2013-2014.