



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



**DATE:** April 17, 2013  
**BOARD MEETING DATE:** May 21, 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 and Recovery Services

**SUBJECT:** Agreement with Deval Shah, M.D.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a Resolution authorizing an agreement with Deval Shah, M.D. for the provision of psychiatry services for the term of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015, in an amount not to exceed \$162,914.

**BACKGROUND:**

There has been a shortage of adult and child psychiatrists in California and in the nation for the past several years. Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) has found it difficult to fill child psychiatrist positions in San Mateo County due to the high cost of living. Under the Administrative Memorandum B-1, agreements with physicians are exempt from the requirement for a Request for Proposals process. BHRS runs advertisements for specialty psychiatric services on a regular basis in the Northern California Psychiatric Newsletter and other venues as needed. Dr. Shah was selected from candidates who responded to those advertisements in 2007.

**DISCUSSION:**

Dr. Shah will provide psychiatry services for at-risk children and youth in San Mateo County. The services shall include child and youth medication evaluation and treatment, diagnostic evaluation, psychotherapy, family consultation, treatment plan review, and case consultation.

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.

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 psychiatry services. BHRS provides a range of services to children and youth clients of BHRS. The provision of psychiatry services is one established level of care. The services provided contribute to this measure. It is anticipated that 75% of clients who receive services shall rate services as good or better.

**Performance Measure:**

<b>Measure</b>	<b>FY 2012-13 Estimate</b>	<b>FY 2013-14 Projected</b>
Percentage of clients who rate services received as good or better	75%*	75%

\* This percentage is an aggregate. Individual data results will be available at a later date.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The term of the Agreement is July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2015. The maximum obligation is \$162,914 for the two-year term. For FY 2013-14 the budgeted maximum is \$81,457. Of that amount, it is anticipated that Medi-Cal FFP revenue will fund \$40,728, 2011 Mental Health Realignment for Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) will fund \$32,583, and 1991 Mental Health Realignment will fund \$8,146. There is no Net County Cost. The payment provisions in the agreement are essentially the same as the prior agreement. The level of service has been reduced from the prior agreement. Funds for these services will be included in the BHRS FY 2013-14 Recommended Budget. A similar arrangement will be in place for FY 2014-15.