



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Health System



Date: June 7, 2013
Board Meeting Date: July 9, 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: Amendment to the Mental Health & Substance Abuse Recovery Commission Bylaws

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution amending the Mental Health & Substance Abuse Recovery Commission Bylaws.

BACKGROUND:

The Mental Health & Substance Abuse Recovery Commission (MHSARC) is mandated by the California Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 5604, to ensure citizen and professional involvement in planning processes regarding the behavioral health system of care. MHSARC also advises your Board and the local Behavioral Health & Recovery Services Director in regard to County behavioral health needs, services, special problems and outcomes of mental health services. The MHSARC is required to have a set of bylaws by which they operate, and to submit an Annual Report to your Board.

DISCUSSION:

MHSARC desires to amend the bylaws to allow MHSARC to make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors concerning appointees to the MHSARC. The amendment will also clarify the recommendation process and procedures.

The bylaws and Resolution have been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form.

The MHSARC contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by advising the Board of Supervisors and the Director of BHRS of County mental health needs, services, special problems and outcomes of mental health services. The California Welfare and Institutions code requires that fifty percent (50%) of MHSARC

members be consumers, or the parents, spouses, siblings, or adult children of consumers.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

| Measure | FY 2013-14 Estimate | FY 2014-15 Projected |
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| Minimum percentage of MHSARC members who are consumers or the parents, spouses, siblings, or adult children of consumers (State criteria) | 50% | 50% |

FISCAL IMPACT:

Regular functions of the MHSARC are budgeted at a maximum of \$5,000 which is included in the BHRS FY 2013-14 Recommended Budget. These costs are 100% funded by Realignment. There is no Net County Cost.