



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



**Date:** October 10, 2013  
**Board Meeting Date:** November 19, 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:** Amendment to the agreement with Free at Last

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a Resolution authorizing an amendment to the agreement with Free at Last to provide alcohol and other drug treatment services and criminal justice realignment services, increasing the amount by \$50,228 to an amount not to exceed \$4,327,842.

**BACKGROUND:**

On September 27, 2011, your Board approved an agreement with Free at Last for the term July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, to provide alcohol and drug treatment and recovery services for San Mateo County residents. These services are essential to supporting individuals in long term recovery as they progress through all phases of wellness/recovery, including periods of relapse. On February 14, 2012, your Board approved a first amendment to the agreement decreasing the maximum obligation by \$48,045 to a new maximum of \$1,661,786. On May 22, 2012, your Board approved a second amendment to the agreement adding Criminal Justice Realignment services, providing supervision to formerly incarcerated adults, and increasing the maximum obligation by \$288,045 to a new maximum of \$1,949,831. On June 26, 2012, your Board approved a third amendment to the agreement increasing the maximum obligation by \$1,585,508 to \$3,535,339 and extending the term of the agreement through June 30, 2013. On August 1, 2012, the Chief of the Health System approved a fourth amendment adding substance abuse confidentiality language, with no change to the term of the agreement or the contract maximum. On June 18, 2013, your Board approved a fifth amendment to the agreement increasing the maximum obligation by \$742,275 to \$4,277,614 and extending the term of the agreement through December 31, 2013.

**DISCUSSION:**

The goal of the San Mateo County Drug Court (SMCDC) is to reduce recidivism and mitigation of the effects of substance abuse by the participant, the justice systems, and society as a whole by working with the defendants in a judicially-supervised, team-based, and treatment-grounded modality.

Through this amendment, the contractor will provide services to the expanded population of the SMCDC 11550 Enhancement Project. There will be increased opportunities for misdemeanor - "under the influence of a controlled substance" offenders to receive substance use disorder treatment and related services. The contractor will provide treatment and supportive services options for high risk/high need participants from the expanded population. In addition it will provide appropriate program enhancements such as: case management services, Wellness Recovery Action Planning (WRAP) and clinical counseling, to improve the efficiency of SMCDC operations while ensuring accountability to funder and stakeholders.

The amendment 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.

This amendment contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by providing individuals and families in San Mateo County with prevention and treatment services to support recovery, which in turn contributes to the health and safety of communities throughout San Mateo County. 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):**

<b>Measure</b>	<b>FY 2012-13 Actual</b>	<b>FY 2013-14 Projected</b>
Percentage of clients who successfully complete all steps of the alcohol and drug treatment program while maintaining sobriety.	65% *	65%

\* This percentage is an aggregate. Individual data results will be available in FY 2013-14.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The term of the amended agreement is July 1, 2011 through December 31, 2013. The agreement maximum is being increased by \$50,228 to a new maximum of \$4,327,842. Funding is provided through the following sources:

<b>Services &amp; Funding Sources</b>		<b>Amend 2</b>	<b>Amend 3</b>	<b>Amend 4</b>	<b>Amend 6</b>

	2011-12	2011-12	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2013-14
Reentry Grant-Achieve 180*	73,200			87,600	43,800	
Cal EMA Grant	414,440			207,220		
Drug Court Partnership (DCP) – State Drug Court *	70,762					
Comprehensive Drug Court Implementation (CDCI) *	233,906					
Drug Court Discretionary Grant *						76,978
Realignment Funding: Drug Court				304,668	152,334	
Ryan White Care Act*	83,070			53,500	26,750	
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BASN allocation	50,328		(38,174)	50,328	25,164	
AB 109 – Criminal Justice Funding*		144,000		167,333	83,667	
MCE –FFP	174,550	96,000	(68,086)	211,544	105,772	
Mental Health Services Act	31,404			31,404	15,702	
Negotiated Net Agreement (NNA)	177,830			177,830	88,915	
Net County Cost	400,341			400,341	200,171	
Total Funding	1,709,831	240,000	(106,260)	1,691,768	742,275	50,228

\* Aggregate funding sources

\*\* Funding ended June 30, 2013

The amounts are included in the Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) FY 2011-12 and FY 2012-13 Adopted Budget and \$792,503 is included in the BHRS FY 2013-14 Adopted Budget. The Net County Cost remains \$200,171 for FY 2013-14. The payment provisions in this amendment have increased from the prior agreement because of an increase in funding, allowing additional clients to be served.