



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



**Date:** September 29, 2014  
**Board Meeting Date:** November 4, 2014  
**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 MAR-RIC Transitional and Recovery Facility

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a Resolution authorizing an agreement with MAR-RIC Transitional and Recovery Facility for transitional residential mental health services for the term July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016, in an amount not to exceed \$460,136.

**BACKGROUND:**

The contractor provides transitional residential services for individuals who are transitioning from locked facilities or psychiatric inpatient units to a lower level of care or who would otherwise require locked facility placement. Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) has contracted with MAR-RIC Transitional and Recovery Facility since February 2002 for the provision of these services.

Under the B-1 Administrative Memorandum, housing services and related supports for mental health clients are exempt from the Request for Proposals process requirement.

**DISCUSSION:**

The contractor shall provide up to nine beds per month for individuals who are transitioning from locked facilities or psychiatric inpatient units, or who would otherwise require locked facility placement. Services through this agreement offer an alternative for clients to allow them to remain in the community and out of a more restrictive and more expensive locked facility placement. The contractor shall provide room and board, supervision twenty-four hours a day/seven days a week, medication assistance, medical and psychiatric care, individual and group therapy, and general support and assistance services to San Mateo County clients.

The Resolution contains the County's standard provisions allowing amendment of the County's fiscal obligations by a maximum of \$25,000 (in aggregate).

The agreement and Resolution have been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form. The agreement is on the Continuing Resolution.

The agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by providing transitional residential mental health services to seriously mentally ill adults. BHRS provides a range of services to promote wellness and recovery and to support consumers remaining in the lowest possible level of care. The provision of transitional residential mental health services to seriously mentally ill adults is one established level of care. It is anticipated at least 40% of all discharged clients will be discharged to a less restrictive, or independent level of care.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):**

Measure	FY 2013-14 Actual	FY 2015-16 Projected
Percentage of discharged clients are discharged to a less restrictive, or independent level of care	40%	40%

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The term of the agreement is July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016. The amount of the agreement is not to exceed \$460,136 for the two-year term. Of that amount, \$229,753 is included in the BHRS FY 2014-15 Adopted Budget. Similar funding arrangements will be in place for FY 2015-16.

It is anticipated that \$206,778 will be funded by sales tax through Realignment, with the remaining \$22,975 to be Net County Cost. The payment provisions and levels of service in the agreement are essentially the same as the prior agreement.