



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Health System



Date: March 12, 2015
Board Meeting Date: April 14, 2015
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Jean S. Fraser, Chief, Health System
Lisa Mancini, Director, Aging and Adult Services

Subject: Submission of the FY2015-16 Update of the Area Plan for Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing:

- A) The approval and submission of the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Update of the Area Plan for Services for Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities to the California Department of Aging; and
- B) The execution of the transmittal letter as required by the California Department of Aging.

BACKGROUND:

The New Beginning Coalition's 2012-2016 Strategic Plan for Services for Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities (Plan) is the long-range plan for the continuum of services intended to meet the needs of San Mateo County's older adults and adults with disabilities. Adopted by your Board on April 24, 2012, the Plan serves as the umbrella plan for all other plans regarding older adults and adults with disabilities in San Mateo County, including the Area Agency on Aging (AAA) Area Plan.

This Board has designated the County's Aging and Adult Services (AAS) division as the Area Agency on Aging. Submission of the AAA Area Plan is required by the California Department of Aging (CDA) as a condition of receiving funding pursuant to the federal Older Americans Act (OAA).

In accordance with CDA requirements, the Plan is a four-year plan that includes a needs assessment of the community. The assessment consisted of a community survey, stakeholder forums and a review of secondary data from other community needs assessments. The surveys revealed that the main concerns for older adult and

adults with disabilities are: accidents in the home, employment, money to live on, crime, taking care of another person (adult), household chores, transportation, obtaining information about services/benefits, taking care of another person (child), isolation, and receiving services/benefits. This information from the Assessment was used to develop the goals and objectives for the Plan.

DISCUSSION:

This 2014-2015 Strategic Plan Update (Update) addresses the fourth year of the 2012-2016 Plan. The Update reflects a comprehensive picture of the current needs of older adults and adults with disabilities in San Mateo County, and the services provided to this population. It also highlights the goals and objectives to be addressed, as well as the program development, advocacy and coordination of activities to be undertaken to enhance services for older adults and adults with disabilities.

Highlighted activities address the following five goals of the Plan:

- Promote a holistic approach to health, well-being and safety;
- Support options for increased mobility;
- Support options for remaining socially connected to friends, family and the community;
- Promote a community-based system of care that supports independence; and
- Promote cultural competence throughout the service planning and delivery system.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Resolution as to form.

The Update contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by providing demographic and statistical information that allows AAS to determine the services most needed for at-risk individuals.

Submittal of the Update is required by the state for continued OAA funding to provide senior services that assist in helping at-risk individuals remain in the most independent setting possible.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

Measure	FY 2014-15 Estimated	FY 2015-16 Projected
Percent of at-risk individuals maintained in a least restrictive setting through case management.	99%	99%

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no Net County Cost resulting from the approval of the Update.