



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Health System



Date: November 4, 2013
Board Meeting Date: December 10, 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 Asian American Recovery Services, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing an agreement with Asian American Recovery Services, Inc. to provide alcohol and other drug prevention and treatment services, for the term of January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, in an amount not to exceed \$1,886,257.

BACKGROUND:

Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) has contracted with Asian American Recovery Services (AARS) for over 20 years. AARS has provided alcohol and drug treatment and recovery services to San Mateo County youth, families, adults and older adults in addition to providing prevention, early intervention and treatment of substance use conditions.

In April 2013 BHRS issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the provision of Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery Services for Outpatient and Day Treatment Services to San Mateo County residents. These services will support treatment of the whole person in order to achieve wellness and recovery, promoting the physical and behavioral health of individuals and families in the communities being served. AARS submitted a proposal and was chosen for the provision of these services.

In June 2013 BHRS issued a RFP for the provision of Community-Based Partnerships for the Prevention of Alcohol and Other Drug-Related Services. Community-based partnerships will sustain effective alcohol and other drug prevention efforts throughout San Mateo County. These partnerships are cooperative agreements between community stakeholders, who are committed to providing a variety of alcohol and other drug prevention strategies in their community. BHRS has identified five regional community-based partnership areas: East Palo Alto, Redwood City and North Fair

Oaks, San Mateo, Half Moon Bay and Pescadero, and Daly City and Pacifica. AARS submitted a proposal and was chosen for the provision of these services within the Daly City and Pacifica community partnership area.

DISCUSSION:

AARS will provide a value-driven and client-centered outpatient drug and alcohol recovery program for youth, families, adults and older adults. These services include outpatient treatment services, non-residential day treatment services, and individual and family therapy. In addition, AARS will be the fiscal and lead agency for the community-based partnership by providing alcohol and other drug-related prevention services in the Daly City/Pacifica region of San Mateo County.

BHRS was recently informed by AARS that a plan to merge their agency with Health Right 360 (HR360), a provider that was also selected through the RFP process, is in process. The merger will allow HR360 to absorb services and personnel from AARS and operate as a single entity under HR360. As of the date of this memorandum, BHRS has not received notice that the merger has been approved by the State. At such time that the merger is finalized, BHRS will terminate the contract with AARS and return to your Board to amend the contract with HR360 to include the services previously delivered through the AARS contract.

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 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. Successful treatment discharge occurs when a program participant completes his/her treatment/recovery plan or when a participant is transferred to the next appropriate level of care. Research shows the longer participants are retained in appropriate level of treatment the more likely they are to achieve long term recovery. A participant's willingness to continue in treatment is a key element to successful stabilization and progress towards sustained recovery. It is anticipated that 45% of clients will achieve a successful treatment discharge.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

Measure	FY 2013-14 Estimate	FY 2014-15 Projected
Percentage of program participants with a successful treatment discharge	44%	45%

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the agreement is January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, in an amount not to exceed \$1,866,257. The funding is provided through the following sources:

Services & Funding Sources	FY 2013-14 6 months	FY 2014-15 12 months
Reentry Grant- Achieve 180* **	2,500	
Drug Court Discretionary Grant*	76,978	153,955
Realignment Funding: Drug Court	152,334	304,668
AB 109 – Criminal Justice Funding*	83,663	167,333
Drug Medi-Cal Funding	15,000	30,000
Negotiated Net Agreement (NNA)	125,795	251,589
Net County Cost	174,150	348,292
Total	630,420	1,255,837

* Aggregate funding sources

** Funding ends March 31, 2014

The amount of \$630,420 is included in the BHRS FY 2013-14 Adopted Budget and \$1,255,837 is included in the BHRS FY 2014-15 Recommended Budget. The Net County Cost for FY 2014-15 is \$348,292. The payment provisions and levels of service in the agreement are essentially the same as the prior agreement.