



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 & Recovery Services

Subject: Agreement with Pyramid Alternatives, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing an agreement with Pyramid Alternatives, Inc. to provide alcohol and other drug treatment and recovery services, and Mental Health Plan services, for the term of January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, in an amount not to exceed \$1,974,141.

BACKGROUND:

Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) has contracted with Pyramid Alternatives, Inc. for over 20 years. Pyramid Alternatives Inc., has provided alcohol and drug treatment and recovery services to adult men and women, in addition to providing outpatient, and intensive day treatment services.

In April 2013 BHRS issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) to provide 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. Pyramid Alternatives, Inc. submitted a proposal and was chosen for the provision of these services.

DISCUSSION:

Contractor shall provide outpatient treatment and intensive outpatient day treatment. The outpatient treatment program includes individual counseling and recovery-oriented group counseling. The intensive day treatment consists of face-to-face individual sessions, weekly group sessions, process groups and education.

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 70% 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	68%	70%

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the agreement is January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, in an amount not to exceed \$1,974,141. The funding is provided through the following sources:

Services and Funding Sources	FY 2013-14 6 months	FY 2014-15 12 months
Reentry Grant- Achieve 180* **	2,500	
Realignment Funding: Drug Court	152,334	304,668
Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant*	76,978	153,955
AB 109 – Criminal Justice Funding *	83,666	167,333
CalWORKs allocation	10,569	21,138
DMC allocation		25,000
Mental Health Services Act	18,592	37,184
Mental Health Services Funding	75,000	150,000
Negotiated Net Agreement (NNA)	100,008	200,016
Net County Cost	131,734	263,466

Total Funding	651,381	1,322,760
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* Aggregate funding sources

** Funding ends March 31, 2014

The amount of \$651,381 is included in the BHRS FY 2013-14 Adopted Budget and \$1,322,760 is included in the BHRS FY 2014-15 Recommended Budget. The Net County Cost for FY 2014-15 is \$263,466. The payment provisions in the agreement decreased from the prior agreement due to the removal of community-based partnerships for the prevention of alcohol and other drug-related services.