



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Health System



Date: May 3, 2013
Board Meeting Date: June 18, 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 the Ravenswood Family Health Center

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution waiving the Request for Proposals process and authorizing an agreement with Ravenswood Family Health Center for the provision of mental health services for the term of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2016, in an amount not to exceed \$722,807.

BACKGROUND:

Ravenswood Family Health Center (RFHC) is a nonprofit federally qualified community health center based in East Palo Alto of San Mateo County. RFHC provides healthcare services that integrate primary medical care, prevention and health education, behavioral health services, and full scope dental services to underserved, uninsured, and most vulnerable low-income residents of communities in southeastern San Mateo County.

In 2007 Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) released a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the delivery of outpatient mental health services within a primary care center that is also federally-qualified to deliver health services within San Mateo County, specifically East Palo Alto. RFHC was the only respondent currently providing outpatient mental health services within a primary setting. In addition, RFHC is the only Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) that is not a County-owned clinic or hospital in San Mateo County and is providing services in the target location of East Palo Alto. Under the B-1 memo, an RFP may be waived in those situations where the Contractor is the "sole source".

In fiscal year 2015-16, BHRS will run another RFP to seek providers of outpatient mental health services in East Palo Alto that are also an FQHC, for services to start July 1, 2016.

DISCUSSION:

Through this agreement, RFHC will provide outpatient mental health services to underserved and uninsured individuals and families living in southeast San Mateo County. Primary care-based mental health services will increase access to mental health care in coordination with medical care.

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 outpatient mental health services to San Mateo County residents and specifically to residents in the underserved area of East Palo Alto. 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 outpatient mental health services is one established level of care. The services provided through this agreement contribute to this measure. It is anticipated that 95% of clients treated by Contractor shall not be admitted to a psychiatric emergency service unit during their course of treatment.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

Measure	FY 2012-13 Estimate	FY 2013-14 Projected
Percentage of clients not admitted to psychiatric emergency unit during their course of treatment	95%	95%

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the agreement is July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2016, and the maximum obligation is \$722,807. The maximum for FY 2013-14 is \$240,936. This amount will be funded as follows: Mental Health Services Act: \$211,469 (88%); Medi-Cal (Healthy Families), Healthy Kids and CareAdvantage: \$17,857 (7%); and Federal Financial Participation for MediCal: \$11,610 (5%). There is no Net County Cost. The payment provisions and levels of service in the agreement are essentially the same as the prior agreement. Funds for these services will be included in the BHRS FY 2013-14 Recommended Budget. Similar funding arrangements will be made for subsequent years.