



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



**Date:** October 23, 2015  
**Board Meeting Date:** December 8, 2015  
**Special Notice / Hearing:** None  
**Vote Required:** Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**From:** Louise Rogers, Chief, Health System  
Stephen Kaplan, Director, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services

**Subject:** Agreement with Project Ninety, Inc. for substance use disorder residential treatment

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing an agreement with Project Ninety, Inc. for substance use disorder residential treatment, for the term July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, in an amount not to exceed \$2,736,869.

**BACKGROUND:**

Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) has contracted with Project Ninety, Inc. (Project Ninety) serving individuals and families through its residential substance use disorder treatment services for over 30 years. Project Ninety provides services to adult men who may be homeless, straight from prison or jail, unemployed, or have limited language skills.

**DISCUSSION:**

Through this agreement, Project Ninety will provide unique substance use disorder residential treatment services to County adult male residents. Project Ninety will serve a population with a high rate of homelessness (50% of the participants), criminal justice involvement (71%), and a co-occurring mental health diagnosis (25%).

Under the Administrative Memorandum B-1, BHRS contracts providing housing services and related supports are exempt from the Request for Proposals process. Project Ninety is one of six residential treatment providers in the County.

BHRS agreements related to alcohol and other drug services are late because negotiations between the California Department of Health Care Services and the federal government regarding the Drug Medi-Cal waiver were not finalized until August 13, 2015. The implementation of this waiver is planned for summer of 2016. This Medi-Cal

waiver will allow providers such as Project Ninety to bill for many more services than they were previously able.

The resolution contains the County's standard provision 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. This agreement is on the Continuing Resolution.

The agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by providing individuals and families in the County with prevention and treatment services to support recovery, which in turn contributes to the health and safety of communities throughout the 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. It is anticipated that 65% of clients will achieve a successful treatment discharge.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):**

Measure	FY 2014-15 Actual	FY 2015-16 Projected
Percentage and number of program participants with a successful treatment discharge	65% 189 clients	65% 189 clients

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The term of the agreement is July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. The amount of the agreement is not to exceed \$2,736,869. Of this amount, the Substance Abuse and Prevention Treatment Block Grant will fund \$597,573, 2011 Realignment for Drug Court and Drug Medi-Cal will fund \$601,545, and the Mental Health Services Act will fund \$63,636. The remaining \$1,474,115 is net county cost.

Funds for these services are included in the BHRS FY 2015-16 Adopted Budget. The payment provisions and levels of service remain essentially the same as those of the prior agreement.