



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: HEALTH

File #: 21-709

Board Meeting Date: 9/14/2021

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: Louise F. Rogers, Chief, San Mateo County Health
Chester J. Kunnappilly, MD, Chief Executive Officer, San Mateo Medical Center
Subject: Agreement with Abode Services to Provide Enabling Services

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing an agreement with Abode Services to provide enabling services for the term of September 15, 2021 through December 31, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$343,748.

BACKGROUND:

San Mateo County Health has been awarded the Health Care for the Homeless/Farmworker Health (HCH/FH) grant from the Bureau of Primary Health Care, Health Services and Resources Administration of the US Department of Health and Human Services. The grant funds San Mateo Medical Center's (SMMC) ongoing HCH/FH program, which is designed to assist homeless and farmworker adults, families, and youth with access to and utilization of SMMC's continuum of care and other medical, health and support services.

DISCUSSION:

In January 2021, the HCH/FH program completed a Request for Proposals (RFP) for enabling services, which are non-clinical services that enable individuals to access health care and improve health outcomes. Enabling services include case management, referrals, translation/interpretation, transportation, eligibility assistance, health education, environmental health risk reduction, health literacy, and outreach. Abode Services was chosen to provide these services, based on their efficiency in delivering enabling services to the population they serve.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the resolution and agreement as to form.

The resolution contains the County's standard provisions allowing amendment of the County fiscal obligations by a maximum of \$25,000 (in aggregate).

It is anticipated that a minimum of 90 unduplicated individuals experiencing homelessness annually

will receive care coordination or assistance.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE:

Measure	FY 2020-21 Actual	FY 2021-22 Estimated
Minimum number of unduplicated individuals experiencing homelessness annually that will receive care coordination services or assistance	N/A*	90 individuals

*New Measure

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the agreement is September 15, 2021 through December 31, 2023. The amount of the agreement is not to exceed \$343,748 for the 28-month term. Funds in the amount of \$122,767 are included in the SMMC FY 2021-22 Adopted Budget. Funds in the amount of \$147,321 are included in the SMMC FY 2022-23 Recommended Budget. Similar arrangements will be made for future years.

Expenses at SMMC are covered by fees for services or third-party payors whenever possible. The portion of expenses for services provided to the medically indigent or to those covered by programs that do not meet the full costs of care is covered by the County's General Fund contribution to SMMC and is within the existing annual appropriation.