



# County of San Mateo

## Inter-Departmental Correspondence

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**Department:** HEALTH SERVICES BHRS

**File #:** 18-399

Board Meeting Date: 5/22/2018

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**Special Notice / Hearing:** None  
**Vote Required:** Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**From:** Louise F. Rogers, Chief, Health System  
David Young, Director, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services

**Subject:** Amendment to the Agreement with Resource Development Associates for Evaluation and Technical Assistance Services

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing an amendment to the agreement with Resource Development Associates for evaluation and technical assistance services, extending the term of the agreement through June 30, 2019, and increasing the amount by \$95,860 to an amount not to exceed \$195,860.

**BACKGROUND:**

On September 22, 2016, Resource Development Associates (RDA) was contracted to provide evaluation and assessment services and technical assistance to Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Innovation (INN) Component pilot programs in the amount of \$100,000, for the term September 15, 2016 through June 30, 2018. Three MHSA INN projects were approved by the State Mental Health Services Oversight Commission totaling over 3.2 million dollars for three years. The projects funded were: 1) the San Mateo County Pride Center, a coordinated service approach to providing behavioral health services to the LGBTQ community; 2) the Neurosequential Model of Therapeutics (NMT) within the adult system of care, a clinical model of treatment that provides a holistic approach integrated with multiple forms of alternative targeted therapies; and 3) the Health Ambassador Program for Youth (HAP-Y), a youth-led initiative where young adults act as mental health ambassadors to promote awareness of behavioral health, reduce stigma, and increase service access for young people and their communities.

**DISCUSSION:**

Once Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) implemented the three MHSA INN funded projects, it was required, as a condition of the funding, to evaluate the effectiveness and feasibility of each project; RDA was given responsibility for this evaluation.

Since the contract was first approved, the level of effort required to complete the evaluation has increased; specifically, a stakeholder participation component is taking more time than originally

estimated. It is now necessary to extend RDA's agreement and increase its not-to-exceed amount so that RDA can complete the evaluation. RDA has a significant amount of experience with conducting successful mental health program evaluations and specific experience and long history with MHSA INN programs. They have supported MHSA efforts in 15 county mental health departments and came highly recommended by other counties that they have partnered with to specifically measure INN programs. BHRS is requesting to waive the Request for Proposal process in order to allow RDA to continue their analysis of the MHSA INN projects and complete the evaluation report for the state.

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 amendment and resolution have been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form.

Approval of this amendment contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by providing individuals and families with prevention and treatment services to support recovery, which in turn contributes to the health and safety of communities throughout the County. It is anticipated that 100% of the MHSA evaluation, reporting and planning requirements will be completed by contractor.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURE:**

Measure	FY 2017-18 Estimated	FY 2018-19 Projected
Percentage of the MHSA evaluation, reporting and planning requirements that will be completed by the contractor.	100% 5 of 5 items	100% 5 of 5 items

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The term of the revised agreement is September 15, 2016 through June 30, 2019. The amount of the contract is not to exceed \$195,860. This amendment increases the contract amount by \$95,860. If the increase, \$55,860 is included in the BHRS FY 2017-18 Adopted Budget, and \$40,000 will be included in the BHRS FY 2018-2019 Recommended Budget. 100% of the increase will be funded by MHSA.