



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: HEALTH

File #: 19-378

Board Meeting Date: 5/14/2019

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Louise F. Rogers, Chief, San Mateo County Health
Scott Gilman, Director, Behavioral Health & Recovery Services

Subject: Agreement with John Muir Behavioral Health Center for Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing an agreement with John Muir Behavioral Health Center for psychiatric inpatient hospital services for the term July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.

BACKGROUND:

Since 2002, the County has contracted with John Muir Behavioral Health Center (John Muir) for psychiatric inpatient hospital services. These services are used to accommodate emergency admissions in the northern part of the County and when San Mateo Medical Center is full.

For FY 2017-2018, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) contracted with Mills Peninsula Hospitals and John Muir and for FY 2017-2019 with BHC Fremont Hospital, Inc. dba Fremont Hospitals. Contracted psychiatric inpatient hospitals that provide services to San Mateo County clients include: Mills Peninsula Hospitals, John Muir, Fremont Hospital, and Verity Incorporated dba Seton Medical Center.

Under the B-1 Administrative Memorandum, the selection of providers delivering inpatient psychiatric hospital services for mental health clients is exempt from the Request for Proposals requirement. In order to improve service capacity, BHRS may contract for psychiatric inpatient hospital services with any willing qualified provider.

DISCUSSION:

The agreement with John Muir is based on fee-for-service rates, which include psychiatric inpatient hospital services for Medi-Cal covered youth and adults, as well as psychiatric inpatient hospital services for uninsured youth and adults. Administrative Day rates, which are set by the State, are also included. Only services authorized by BHRS will be paid.

The resolution contains the County's standard provisions 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 late due to prolonged contract negotiations and is on the Continuing Resolution.

Approval of this agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by providing inpatient psychiatric hospital services for youth and adults. It is anticipated that no more than 12% of clients who receive psychiatric inpatient hospital services will be re-admitted within 30 days of discharge.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE:

Measure	FY 2017-18 Actual	FY 2018-19 Projected
Percentage of clients who are re-admitted within 30 days of discharge	≤12% 30 clients	≤12% 30 clients

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the agreement is July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020. The amount of the agreement is not to exceed \$2,000,000 for the two-year term. \$1,000,000 is included in the BHRS FY 2018-19 Recommended Budget. Of that amount, it is anticipated that \$900,000 will be funded from 1991 Realignment and \$100,000 will be Net County Cost. Similar arrangements will be made for future years. The payment provisions and levels of services in the agreement are essentially the same as the prior agreement.