



# County of San Mateo

## Inter-Departmental Correspondence

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**Department:** HEALTH

**File #:** 21-529

Board Meeting Date: 6/29/2021

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**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 and Recovery Services

**Subject:** Agreement with Resource Development Associates for Mental Health Services Act Evaluation and Technical Assistance Services

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing an agreement with Resource Development Associates for Mental Health Services Act evaluation and technical assistance services for the term of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$383,105.

### **BACKGROUND:**

Resource Development Associates (RDA) has provided evaluation services specifically to Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Innovation (INN) pilot programs and technical assistance services for MHSA administration, implementation, and reporting across MHSA components and programs since 2016.

MHSA legislation requires ongoing planning, evaluating, and reporting of all MHSA components and funded programs. Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) often contracts with independent consultants to meet these annual MHSA legislation obligations. BHRS selected RDA to provide these services via a Request for Proposals (RFP) process for evaluation and technical assistance services.

### **DISCUSSION:**

RDA will complete the final MHSA INN evaluation report for the San Mateo County Pride Center (Pride Center). Additionally, RDA will provide services for the recently approved new MHSA INN pilot programs including; the Co-location of Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Services in Low-Income Housing; Pacific Islanders Organizing, Nurturing and Empowering Everyone to Rise and Serve Program; and the Cultural Arts and Wellness Social Enterprise Cafe for Filipino/a/x Youth.

The PEI component of MHSA requires new reporting of outcome data for all PEI programs that indicate increase in protective factors, decrease in negative outcomes of untreated mental illness, and referrals that lead a follow through on engagement with mental health services. RDA will provide

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technical assistance for PEI data collection and reporting processes including review and selection of appropriate tools and indicators for ten PEI programs that collect individual level data and additional data support to the new Cariño Project, also known as the Coastside Multicultural Wellness Program.

Since 2016, RDA has provided program planning services that led to successful MHSA PEI, direct treatment, and workforce training projects. RDA has developed annual evaluation reports for all MHSA INN projects including the Pride Center, the Health Ambassador Program for Youth and the Neurosequential Model of Therapeutics in an adult system of care. The reports are shared annually with MHSA stakeholders, submitted to the State Department of Health Care Services and the Mental Health Services Oversight Commission, and have supported successful innovation extension requests and sustainability planning.

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.

It is anticipated that 100% of the MHSA evaluation, reporting and planning requirements will be completed by RDA.

**PERFORMANCE MEASURE:**

<b>Measure</b>	<b>FY 2021-22 Projected</b>	<b>FY 2022-23 Projected</b>
Percentage of the MHSA evaluation, reporting, and planning requirements that will be completed by RDA	100% 5 requirements	100% 2 requirements

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The term of the agreement is July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024. The amount of the agreement contract is not to exceed \$383,105 for the three-year term. Funds in the amount of \$170,605 are included in the BHRS FY 2021-22 Recommended Budget. Of that amount \$116,855 will be funded by the MHSA INN component and \$53,750 will be funded by the MHSA PEI component. There is no Net County Cost.

In FY 2022-23 and FY 2023-24 the remaining amounts of \$125,500 and \$87,000 respectively, will be funded by the MHSA INN component.