

**MEMORANDUM  
PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
Adult System of Care**

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.  
Placer County Health Officer and Director of Health & Human Services  
Maureen F. Bauman, Director of Adult System of Care

**DATE:** October 23, 2007

**SUBJECT:** Approve Submission of the Block Grant Application to the Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) for FY2007/08

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**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Approve submission of the block grant application to the Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) in the amount of \$685,617 for FY2007/08 to renew ongoing funding for staff services to children and adults with severe mental illnesses, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign all documentation, reports, and certifications as required.

**BACKGROUND:**

This SAMHSA grant has funded services to children and adults with severe mental illnesses for the past 14 years. The State provides annual notification of the federal allocation for Placer County, and Systems of Care responds with an application indicating how the funds will be utilized. Most of these funds are currently administered collaboratively by the Systems Management Advocacy Resource Team (SMART) Policy Board and operated through the Children's System of Care.

Services for children include case management, mental health consultation, screening, and treatment for children, youth and families involved in dependency court, special education, those at risk of psychiatric hospitalization, and some Juvenile Justice Services designed to help reduce group home placement.

The focus of the adult program is to provide housing support services to adults with both mental health and substance abuse disorders. This program partners with Advocates for Mentally Ill Housing.

This application was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Mental Health, Alcohol, and Drug Advisory Board at its regular meeting on September 24, 2007.

This is one of two SAMHSA grants currently awarded to Placer County Health and Human Services. The other grant is a 5-year Children's Mental Health Initiative grant awarded in 2005 to improve outreach and access to mental health services to underserved Latino, Native American, and transition-age youth communities.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The State Department of Mental Health has advised Placer County to anticipate \$639,252 for continued funding for children's services and \$46,365 for adult services for a total amount of \$685,617. This funding remains at the same level compared to the prior year amount of \$685,617. There is no County match required.

The following Contract Amendment for:

**Substance Abuse & Mental  
Health Services Admin  
Block Grant**

is on file with the Clerk of the Board  
for BOS meeting:

**October 23-Tahoe, 2007**