

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: July 27, 2010

SUBJECT: Contract with State Department of Mental Health for Locked Psychiatric Facility Services

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve a contract with the State of California Department of Mental Health for required County use of State hospital beds during FY 2009-10 for a total of \$254,338, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the resulting contract. These services are funded with \$127,169 in State funds and \$127,169 in required County General Fund match. These costs were included in the Department's FY 2009-10 Final Budget.

BACKGROUND:

Placer County is mandated to provide an integrated and coordinated range of community mental health services appropriate to the needs of each client. The Placer County Systems of Care effectively manages critical mental health services by establishing targeted populations, reviewing lengths of treatment, and identifying persons with the most critical need to serve. This contract continuum includes crisis, hospital, residential, and out client services.

This Napa State Hospital contract provides the highest level of secured long term services for residents of Placer County who have severe mental health issues resulting in their inability to care for themselves and/or are a danger to the community. Individuals placed at the Napa State Hospital cannot be managed in other local settings and receive services including medication, therapy, clinical interventions, behavioral interventions and restraint if necessary; provided in a secured and locked facility.

Although this contract was based upon a one-bed estimate in the amount \$172,233, there was a planned increase of usage of this contract to maintain an additional person in the State hospital who would have caused a danger to the community if he returned. The additional 174 days of services are charged at the same day rate of \$471.87, for an additional cost of \$82,105 for a total services cost of \$254,338. Placer County is committed to exhausting all other possible levels of psychiatric service prior to recommendations for locked facility psychiatric services for Placer County residents in need of this level of care to ensure public safety.

This FY 2009-10 contract is before your Board for approval after the end of the fiscal year due to it not being received from the State until June 28, 2010. This contract was approved by the Mental Health, Alcohol, and Drug Advisory Board at its June 28, 2010 meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT:

These services are funded with \$127,169 in State funds and \$127,169 in required County General Fund match. These costs were included in the Department's FY 2009-10 Final Budget.

This contract is on file with the Clerk of the Board for review.

