

MEMORANDUM
PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Adult System of Care

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jeffrey S. Brown, M.P.H., M.S.W., Director of Health and Human Services
Maureen F. Bauman, Director, Adult System of Care

DATE: September 23, 2014

SUBJECT: Contract with Sugden Psychiatric Services, Inc. to Provide After-Hours Psychiatric Services

ACTION REQUESTED:

1. Approve a contract with Sugden Psychiatric Services, Inc. for the provision of after-hours psychiatric services from October 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$49,500, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the contract and subsequent amendments not to exceed a cumulative total of 10 percent of the original contract total, consistent with the original agreement's subject matter and scope of work.

BACKGROUND:

The Adult System of Care provides crisis assessment to over 2,600 persons per year with approximately 50 percent of these individuals requiring inpatient psychiatric treatment. Individuals served through our crisis service are potentially a danger to themselves or others, or gravely disabled due to a mental illness. Psychiatrists are consulted by after-hours staff to make final determinations of dispositions in our work with these individuals. This contract authorizes Sugden Psychiatric Services, Inc. to provide up to 18 weeks of after-hours consultation and admitting privileges to the County contracted Psychiatric Health Facility. These services are mandated by the State and are critical component of the array of mental health services provided in Placer County. Dr. Sugden has provided excellent client care during his prior employment with Placer County's Adult System of Care. His expertise with crisis evaluations has strengthened our after-hours psychiatric services. Dr. Sugden is a seasoned practitioner who is available to provide critical after-hours, on-call service for up to 18 weeks per year.

This contract was reviewed by the Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board at its August 25th meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funding for this agreement includes \$39,600 in Federal and State revenue, and \$9,900 in County General Funds. These costs are included in the Department's FY 2014-15 Final Budget.

A copy of this contract is on file with Clerk of the Board for your review.

