

MEMORANDUM
PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Adult System of Care and Medical Clinics

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors
FROM: Jeffrey S. Brown, M.P.H., M.S.W., Director of Health and Human Services
Maureen Bauman, Director, Adult System of Care and Medical Clinics
DATE: July 7, 2015
SUBJECT: Contract with Willow Glen Care Center, Inc.

ACTION REQUESTED:

1. Approve an agreement with Willow Glen Care Center, Inc. to provide residential treatment services for mentally disabled adults for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017 for a total amount not to exceed \$1,210,800; and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign amendments not to exceed 10 percent of the total contract amount, consistent with the subject matter and scope of work. Funding is provided by State and Federal funds (\$484,320) and County (\$726,480).

BACKGROUND:

Placer County Adult System of Care (ASOC) provides mandated mental health services to approximately 52 adults each year who require locked or specialized long-term residential care services. Since 1999, Willow Glen Care Center has served Placer County in providing excellent coordinated residential care and specialized programs in a safe and supportive environment for adults and older adults with severe and persistent mental illness. These comprehensive services help individuals with chronic and severe mental illness who are too disabled to live independently, but are able to live successfully in these structured living environments. These services play an integral role in the continuum of medically necessary and mandated mental health services to Placer County adult residents each year.

Eight Placer County residents were served by Willow Glen Center services and programs during the first half of FY 2014-15 (July 1-December 31, 2014) and they are continuing to learn skills which will allow them to successfully live even more independently in the future. Most, if not all, of these individuals would otherwise be cared for in higher level locked facilities which would be unnecessarily restrictive and significantly more expensive. Of the eight residents served during this time period, all remained stable and did not require a higher level of care.

During this renewal contract period, Sequoia Psychiatric Treatment Center (SPTC) will be added as a new and available Mental Health Rehabilitative Center (MHRC) residential program to Placer County residents. This 16-bed facility is another alternative to traditional and expensive long-term locked facilities as well as acute psychiatric hospitalization for those who are most mentally ill and acute. This center also accepts 1370 Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST) clients who are significantly challenging to treat and place. Whereas traditional long-term facilities house clients often well beyond one year, the SPTC average length of stay to stabilize is 45-60 days after which clients are transitioned to a lower level of care.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The FY 2015-16 expenditure of \$600,000 is included in the Department's FY 2015-16 Proposed Budget. The FY 2016-17 expenditure will be included in the Requested Budget. Of the total contract amount of \$1,210,600 (no increase over the prior contract amount) funding is provided by State and Federal funds (\$484,320) and County (\$726,480).

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

