

**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  
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**DATE:** November 3, 2015

**SUBJECT:** Contract Amendment for Advocates for Mentally Ill Housing (AMIH)

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**ACTION REQUESTED:**

1. Approve the first amendment to contract CN005682 with Advocates for Mentally Ill Housing (AMIH) to increase federal and state funds by \$77,022 for a total contract amount of \$1,694,077 to implement the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA) grant and redesign emergency housing program, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the amendment and subsequent amendments not to exceed 10 percent of the total contract amount consistent with the subject matter and scope of work.

**BACKGROUND:**

Placer County has been awarded a SAMHSA grant to improve the health outcomes of persons with severe mental illness receiving on-going services. This program will build and support a health integration team so the persons with serious mental illness receive coordinated and integrated primary care services at the county behavioral health setting to improve chronic health conditions. This program will develop an integrated treatment team comprised of a Contracted Coordinator with medical expertise, Peer Advocates and a Substance Use Counselor to screen, assess and support individuals to develop a person-centered health home.

The AMIH organization will expand their existing contract by \$68,640 in FY 2015-16 to provide Peer Advocates for this new integrated health program. The Peer Advocates will be trained in evidenced based programs and strategies to effectively engage consumers to become more involved in changing their own health outcomes. The AMIH staff will work on sight with the ASOC Mental Health Team to implement this program. The Peer Advocates will work with mental health staff to engage, motivate, support, and teach clients wellness goals that can be permanently integrated into their everyday lives and help support positive health outcomes. Evidenced based programs will address understanding health, how to develop health goals, how to manage chronic health conditions, and reduce or eliminate tobacco use. In addition, there will be a redesign of the emergency respite program that will include deploying mobile crisis Peer Advocates to provide staff support to this program, shifting mobile crisis funding for this purpose, and increasing Mental Health Service Act dollars by \$8,382 for FY 2015-16 in response to the redesigned program. These funds are federal and state dollars only.

The program strategies will assist clients to become connected early on to primary care services and to better understand the value of these services. This program is expected to positively impact the health of persons with serious mental illness who are served in the Adult System of Care. This is also expected to result in improved mental health.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This program increase is funded with \$68,640 federal funds and \$8,382 state funds. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

A copy of the contract amendment is on file with the Clerk of the Board.

