

**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 8, 2008

SUBJECT: Approve Contract with Davis Guest Home, Inc. for Residential Board and Care Services

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve a contract with Davis Guest Home, Inc. for residential board and care services from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2010 in an amount not to exceed \$260,000, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the agreement and subsequent amendments up to 10% of the total contract amount. The required 2008/09 match for these services includes \$65,000 in County General Funds. These costs are reflected in the department's 2008/09 Proposed Budget.

BACKGROUND:

Davis Guest Home is a Modesto facility offering residential mental health services for Placer County residents that are too disabled to live independently, but are able to live successfully in this structured living environment. Twelve Placer County residents have been served in this program and are learning skills which will allow them to successfully live even more independently in the future. Many, if not all, of these residents would otherwise require to be cared for in locked facilities which would be unnecessarily restrictive and at twice the expense.

The Adult System of Care (ASOC) began contracting with this provider 18 months ago. Davis Guest Home provides a full array of services including an on-site psychiatrist. This facility has shown remarkable success with some of the most difficult to place individuals. As an example, one client who had a long history of frequently rotating between jail, psychiatric hospital, and locked facilities was placed at Davis for five months. When he graduated, he moved to independent housing. He is currently off conservatorship and has been living successfully in the community for over a year.

Although somewhat distant from Placer County, Davis Guest Home operates a more intensive transitional program than offered at other board and care facilities. This contract, in conjunction with other community-based treatment alternatives, has reduced the usage of locked residential mental health treatment facilities by 40% in the last year. This has produced significant expenditure reduction, estimated at over \$100,000, which has assisted in balancing the ASOC budget for this current year.

This contract was reviewed and recommended for Board of Supervisors approval by the Mental Health, Alcohol, and Drug Advisory Board at its regular meeting on June 23, 2008.

FISCAL IMPACT:

These services are reimbursed on a "per client, per day" basis, with an estimated capacity of five beds for the next two fiscal years for a total of \$260,000. The contract is funded by approximately 50% State funding and 50% County General Funds.

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

