

**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: April 7, 2009

SUBJECT: Amend Contracts for Mental Health Residential Services

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve the following amendments relating to mental health residential services for Placer County residents, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the resulting amendments. These service costs are covered in the Department's FY 08-09 Final Budget and are funded through savings achieved from decreased use of locked inpatient facilities. There are no additional General Fund contributions.

- a. Davis Guest Home, Contract CN005246, increasing funding for FY08-09 in the amount of \$35,000 for a revised 2-year contract amount of \$295,000.
- b. Yolo Community Care Continuum/Harmony House, Contract CN012380 increasing funding for FY08-10 in the amount of \$80,000 for a revised 2-year contract amount of \$479,000.

BACKGROUND:

Placer County Health and Human Services is mandated by the State to provide an integrated and coordinated range of community mental health services appropriate to the needs of adults and children with significant mental disorders.

The Adult System of Care continues to provide the most appropriate and cost effective services within the resources available. As such, the Adult System of Care has decreased the use of more costly locked inpatient mental health facilities and expanded the use of less costly comprehensive and community based residential treatment services. Research has shown that comprehensive residential treatment services lead to reductions in recidivism, decrease in hospitalizations, and improved quality of life and self-sufficiency for recipients while reducing the cost of treatment.

Further expansion in community based residential treatment options is needed to continue to move individuals from more confining and costly locked inpatient facilities to less costly community based residential treatment. Such community based programs are essential to enable individuals to learn coping strategies and independent living skills to successfully live in the community and reduce their reliance on publically funded programs.

In keeping with our commitment to best serve our communities through public-private partnership, it is respectfully recommended that the Board approve the requested contract amendments.

FISCAL IMPACT:

These costs are reflected in the Department's 2008/09 Final Budget from savings attributed to decreased use of locked inpatient facilities. There are no additional General Fund contributions.

The above amendments are on file with Clerk of the Board for review.

