



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: DHHS: Mental Health

Agenda Section: Consent

SUBJECT:

Application Process for Mental Health Services Act Prevention and Early Intervention Program-Local Implementation Agreements Regarding the Provision of Professional Services Intended to Reduce the Impact of Mental Illness within Humboldt County

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the attached Mental Health Services Act Prevention and Early Intervention Program-Local Implementation Agreement Application Package;
2. Approve the attached local implementation agreement templates regarding the provision of professional services intended to reduce the impact of mental illness within Humboldt County;
3. Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services-Mental Health Director to execute local implementation agreements that are substantially similar to the attached local implementation agreement templates, after review and approval by County Counsel, Risk Management and the County Administrative Office;
4. Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services-Mental Health Director to execute any and all future amendments to the local implementation agreements executed thereby, after review and approval by County Counsel, Risk Management and the County Administrative Office; and
5. Direct the Clerk of the Board to return one original executed copy of this item to the Department of Health and Human Services-Contract Unit.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Mental Health Fund

DISCUSSION:

Proposition 63 was passed by the California voters in November 2004 and enacted into law on Jan. 1, 2005. Now known as the Mental Health Services Act (“MHSA”), this legislation places a 1 percent tax on individuals with a personal income above \$1 million. The 2017-2020 MHSA 3-Year Program and Expenditure Plan that was approved by the Board on July 31, 2018 includes funding that can be expended for the purpose of collaborating with local community organizations to develop and support local Prevention and Early Intervention programs that are designed to reduce the impact of mental

illness through the provision of education, mitigation and prevention services.

The attached application package and local implementation agreement templates will allow the Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services - Mental Health (DHHS - Mental Health) to help support community-based organizations reduce the symptoms and prolonged suffering that may result from untreated mental illness, encourage improved mental, emotional and relational functioning, increase public awareness and knowledge regarding mental illness and provide timely access and linkage to non-stigmatizing and non-discriminatory mental health treatment and suicide prevention services.

The review and approval process regarding requests for local implementation agreements will be led by DHHS - Mental Health staff who have expertise regarding the provision of education, mitigation and prevention services designed to reduce the impact of mental illness, and are not affiliated with any community-based organizations who have submitted such requests.

Accordingly, DHHS - Mental Health recommends that the Board approve the attached MSHA Prevention and Early Intervention Program - Local Implementation Agreement Application Package and local implementation agreement templates.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The maximum amount payable for services rendered, costs and expenses incurred, pursuant to the terms and conditions of a local implementation agreement shall not exceed \$24,900. A total of \$110,000 of Prevention and Early Intervention Program funding has been included in the County of Humboldt's MSHA 3-Year Program and Expenditure Plan for fiscal year 2019-2020.

Expenditure appropriations related to the provision of professional services intended to reduce the impact of mental illness pursuant to the terms and conditions of local implementation agreements will be included in the proposed fiscal year 2019-2020 budget for DHHS - Mental Health Services Act budget unit 1170-477. As a result, approval of the attached MSHA Prevention and Early Intervention Program - Local Implementation Agreement Application Package and local implementation agreement templates will not impact the Humboldt County General Fund.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

The recommended actions support the Board of Supervisors' Strategic Framework by creating opportunities for improved safety and health, protecting vulnerable populations, supporting self-reliance of citizens and providing community-appropriate levels of service.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board could choose not to approve the attached MSHA Prevention and Early Intervention Program - Local Implementation Agreement Application Package and local implementation agreement templates regarding the provision of professional services intended to reduce the impact of mental

illness within Humboldt County. However, this alternative is not recommended since it would significantly limit DHHS - Mental Health's ability to address the impacts of mental illness through the provision of education, mitigation and prevention services.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. MHSa Prevention and Early Intervention - Local Implementation Agreement Application Package:
 - a. PEI Local Implementation Agreement Request Guidelines
 - b. PEI Local Implementation Agreement Request
2. Local Implementation Agreement Template (non-tribal organizations)
3. Local Implementation Agreement Template (tribal organizations)

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: C-8

Meeting of: 09/11/18

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