

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Behavioral Health	(2) MEETING DATE 2/24/2015	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Anne Robin, Behavioral Health Administrator 781-4719 Raven Lopez, Accountant III 788-4783	
(4) SUBJECT Request for approval to apply for a four year federal grant of up to \$400,000 per year through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for Primary and Behavioral Health Care Integration. All Districts.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board approve a request to apply for a four year federal grant through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for Primary and Behavioral Health Care Integration.			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S)	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$400,000.00	(9) BUDGETED? No
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. ___) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. ___)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: N/A <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5 Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A    Date: _____	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts			

# County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jeff Hamm, Health Agency Director  
Anne Robin, L.M.F.T., Behavioral Health Administrator

DATE: 2/24/2015

SUBJECT: Request for approval to apply for a four year federal grant of up to \$400,000 per year through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for Primary and Behavioral Health Care Integration. All Districts.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board approve a request to apply for a four year federal grant through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for Primary and Behavioral Health Care Integration.

## **DISCUSSION**

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) released a Request for Application that focuses on Primary and Behavioral Health Care Integration (PBHCI). The length of the federally funded grant is for four years with a maximum amount of \$400,000 per year. The purpose of this program is to establish projects for the provision of coordinated and integrated services through the co-location of primary and specialty care medical services in community-based behavioral health settings. The goal is to improve the physical health status of adults with serious mental illnesses (SMI) and those with co-occurring substance use disorders who have or are at risk for co-morbid primary care conditions and chronic diseases. The program's objective is to support the triple aim of improving the health of individuals with SMI; enhancing the consumer experience of care (including quality, access, and reliability); and reducing/controlling the per capita cost of care.

If awarded, the Department would be expected to: serve as a "consumer centered health home" providing the following categories of service: comprehensive care management, care coordination, health promotion, comprehensive transitional care from inpatient to other settings, individual and family support, which includes authorized representatives, and referral to community and social support services. SAMHSA will expect this to be achieved by strengthening the focus on integrated treatment teams, evidence-based and promising wellness interventions, program structures (e.g., primary care access, information sharing, and treatment planning, etc.), performance monitoring and continuous quality improvement, and sustainability. These efforts will be accomplished with the collaboration and integration of services provided by the Public Health Department, Community Health Centers, Community Based Organizations, as well as other partnering agencies. In recent past, other grant funds have been awarded to help move this paradigm shift across agencies. This grant will continue those efforts towards an integrated system.

## **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT**

The Department is currently working with the Public Health Department, Community Health Centers of the Central Coast, CenCal Health, and other partner agencies on the development of the grant application. If awarded, the grant funds will be shared between some of these agencies.

## **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

The length of the grant would provide up to \$400,000 per year for up to four years and does not require local match.

Behavioral Health anticipates adding an additional 2.0 FTE as a result of this grant opportunity. Details regarding staffing

requests will be forthcoming when and if the proposal is awarded funding. If awarded, Behavioral Health will submit another staff report to the Board requesting permission to accept the funding and to submit relevant Position Allocation Requests. The funds will be shared between the Public Health Department, Community Health Centers, a Community Based Organization, and an evaluator.

Should the County be awarded the funds requested in the grant proposal, there will be no increase in net County cost. Additionally, as required by the grant, a long-term sustainability plan will be prepared during year two to ensure the program continues beyond the four year grant period. The sustainability plan will include projected funding from patient revenue, Medi-Cal reimbursement, Mental Health Services Act revenue, as well as other revenue sources. In recent years, other grant funds have been awarded to the County for the integration of primary and behavioral health care. As this paradigm shift continues throughout the state, the Department is optimistic that additional funding will be available to support such efforts in the future.

## **RESULTS**

Approval of this item will result in permission to apply for a grant provided by SAMHSA. Targeted results and outcomes of the grant proposal will be established during the application process and, if and when the grant is awarded to the County, will be reported as part of the item requesting Board approval of the grant agreement. SAMHSA will require the Department to report performance on the following performance measures: Infrastructure, Prevention, and Promotion: Policy Development; Workforce Development, Financing, Organizational Change, Partnership/collaborations, Accountability, Types/Targets of Practices, Awareness, Training, Knowledge/Attitudes/Beliefs, Screening, Outreach, Referral, and Access. As well as, health outcomes data at baseline, including blood pressure, body mass index, waist circumference, and others.

This grant will help Behavioral Health achieve its mission of promoting safe, healthy, responsible and informed choices through programs that are responsive to community needs. Providing the most appropriate services to the clients increases the probability of positive outcomes. In all cases, the objective is to strive for the best possible outcomes which promote the County's vision of having a safe, healthy and livable community.