

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

F A C T S H E E T

**APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO EXISTING DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CALIFORNIA MENTAL
HEALTH DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-07
AND
APPROVAL OF REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-07
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)**

REQUEST

1. Approve and instruct the Director of Mental Health or his designee to prepare, sign, and execute an Amendment, to the existing Department of Mental Health (DMH) Consulting Services Agreement No. MH-050004 with California Mental Health Directors Association (CMHDA) to increase the Total Compensation Amount (TCA) by \$36,700, from \$123,000 to \$159,700 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2006-07. The increase consists of \$21,700 in Sales Tax Realignment funds and \$15,000 in Intrafund Transfer (IFT) from the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS).
2. Approve the Request for Appropriation Adjustment in the amount of \$15,000 funded by IFT from DCFS for FY 2006-07 to provide the necessary increased spending authority.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION

The Amendment will enable CMHDA to continue providing consultation and technical assistance on the educational arts therapy programs in the juvenile probation halls and camps. The educational arts therapy programs have been successfully piloted and implemented in the juvenile probation halls and camps. Included in the program reflected in this amendment are the Art/Social Multicultural Academic Recreational Therapeutic (SMART) and Drumming for Life programs.

Board approval is being requested to amend the Agreement with CMHDA, as the recommended increase of \$36,700 to the TCA exceeds DMH's delegated authority.

CONTRACTOR

Based on its proven expertise in implementing innovative mental health therapeutic programs, CMHDA is in the unique position to consult and provide technical advice on

continuing and expanding the arts therapy program in the juvenile probation halls and camps of the County.

Administrative staff of DMH will continue to administer and supervise the Agreement and ensure that the Agreement provisions and Departmental policies are being followed.

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