

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

F A C T S H E E T

**APPROVAL OF PERFORMANCE CONTRACT NO. 06-76123-000 WITH
THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)**

REQUEST

1. Accept and approve the California Department of Mental Health's (State) Performance Contract No. 06-76123-000 with the County of Los Angeles - Department of Mental Health (DMH), making DMH responsible for establishing community mental health services in the County of Los Angeles, effective July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.
2. Approve and authorize the Chair of your Board to sign and execute an original Resolution, specifying that the Board has approved the State Performance Contract for Fiscal Year (FY) 2006-2007.
3. Instruct the Director of Mental Health or his designee to sign two (2) copies of the Performance Contract, with original signatures and forward them to State.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION

The Performance Contract sets forth County authority for the implementation of County mental health programs and is mandated under Section 5650 of the Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC). The Performance Contract and the Resolution are approved by the Board each fiscal year.

BACKGROUND

The Performance Contract, mandated under WIC, makes DMH responsible for establishing community mental health services in the County of Los Angeles and is approved by the Board each fiscal year.

The Performance Contract mandates that the County is responsible for providing mental health services within the entire County of Los Angeles. The Contract includes language, agreed to by County Counsel and State Counsel, clarifying County's responsibility for the provision of mental health services in the Tri-City area within

Los Angeles County. This is because Tri-City Mental Health Center (Tri-City MHC), which filed for bankruptcy on February 13, 2004, still has the responsibility for mental health services in the Tri-City service area. Since Tri-City MHC receives Realignment funding, it will be responsible for non-Medi-Cal mental health services in the Tri-City service area. If Tri-City MHC ceases to exist, County will assume responsibility for non-Medi-Cal mental health services in the Tri-City service area. If Tri-City MHC continues in existence, but information indicates that it is unable to continue providing an adequate range of non-Medi-Cal mental health services in an acceptable manner, State and DMH will meet and negotiate as to what action or actions, if any, should be taken, including, but not limited to, what mental health services and funding, if any, should be shifted to the County. A mutual agreement reached to shift service responsibilities and funding to the County will require an amendment to the Performance Contract.

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