

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH**

**F A C T   S H E E T**

**APPROVAL OF STATE HOSPITAL BED PURCHASE AND USAGE AGREEMENT  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007-08  
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)  
(3 VOTES)**

**REQUEST**

1. Request Board adoption of a resolution approving the State Hospital Bed Purchase and Usage Agreement No. 07-77252-000 (Agreement) with the County of Los Angeles - Department of Mental Health (DMH) for the purchase and use of the beds at the State Hospitals for FY 2007-08. The anticipated State Hospital bed usage in the amount of \$33,010,600 is included in DMH's FY 2007-08 Adopted Budget.
2. Authorize the Director of Mental Health or his designee to sign two copies of the Agreement and forward both originals to the State.

**PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION**

Board approval of the recommended actions will set in place an agreement for purchase and use of beds at State Hospitals for persons with mental disorders.

The State has jurisdiction over the Atascadero, Metropolitan, Napa, and Patton State Hospitals which provide services to persons with mental disorders. The Agreement allows the County to purchase and use the beds at the State Hospitals for FY 2007-08. The Agreement is retroactive to July 1, 2007, as stipulated in the Agreement submitted to the County on January 7, 2008.

**BACKGROUND**

The Agreement allows use of the State Hospital beds for mental health consumers in the County of Los Angeles. Section 4330 of the WIC requires counties to reimburse the State for use of State Hospital beds.

The general terms of DMH's Agreement with the State are dictated by the State from year to year. These provisions are usually provided by the State during the year or, in this case, at the end of the year, and are then brought to your Board for approval, effective the beginning of the fiscal year.

Under this Agreement, the County has the following responsibility to screen and authorize all referrals for admission of County patients to the State Hospitals, assist the hospital social services staff to develop and finalize discharge planning and necessary

follow-up services, assist in the screening of County patients for alternative placements and review the quality of services provided at the State Hospitals to County mental health consumers.

There is no impact on net County cost. Although the total Agreement amount is \$30,809,133, the County is also responsible for any additional costs resulting from bed usage in excess of the FY 2007-08 contracted amount. The anticipated State Hospital bed usage of \$33,010,600 is included in the FY 2007-08 Adopted Budget. The total budget amount includes funding for expected over utilization of State Hospital beds, based on prior year experience that includes increasing demands from community hospitals, jails and also Lanterman Petris Short (LPS) conservatorships.

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