

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

F A C T S H E E T

**APPROVAL OF PERFORMANCE CONTRACT NO. 03-73139-000 WITH
THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)**

REQUEST:

Accept the State Department of Mental Health's (SDMH) Performance Contract No. 03-73139-000 with the County of Los Angeles Department of Mental Health (DMH) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2003-2004; authorize the Chairman to sign and execute an original Resolution specifying that the Board has approved the State Performance Contract for FY 2003-2004; and authorize the Director of Mental Health to sign six (6) copies of the Performance Contract, substantially similar to the one proposed by the State, after conclusion of negotiations with SDMH to clarify the geographic areas for which the County is responsible for mental health services.

BACKGROUND:

The Performance Contract between the State and the County is mandated under the Welfare and Institutions Code Section 5650, Chapter 2, and SDMH is the agency responsible for the mental health programs at the state level.

The Performance Contract sets forth County authority for the implementation of mental health programs and summarizes the provisions for each of the local mental health programs; and, there are no material changes from the Performance Contract of FY 2002-2003.

INTENT:

The Performance Contract establishes County authority for the implementation of mental health services and programs covering the entire area of Los Angeles County. DMH, in conjunction with County Counsel, has requested that the State modify the contract language to say that the County is responsible for mental health services covering the entire area "within the county's responsibility." This modification was requested because Tri-City Mental Health Center currently has the responsibility for mental health services in a small area of the County, under special statutory provisions. Tri-City Mental Health Center filed for bankruptcy on February 13, 2004. The requested change in the performance contract will help protect the County in possible negotiations with the State about the provisions of services in the Tri-City Mental Health Center's area.

JUSTIFICATION:

The Performance Contract between the State and the County is mandated under Section 5650, Chapter 2, of the Welfare and Institutions Code and it summarizes the provisions for each of the local mental health programs. Each summary contains a brief description of the program, the scope of work or work plan, budget requirements and accountability. Additionally, the Performance Contract outlines the requirements to justify receipt of allocations but does not specify the actual amounts. The Performance Contract also indicates the performance conditions for the County programs including any other contract requirements.

CONTRACTING PROCESS:

This subject does not apply.

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