

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

**F A C T S H E E T**

**APPROVAL TO RENEW HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME (HIV/AIDS) MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES PLAN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH FOR FISCAL YEARS 2004-2005, 2005-2006 AND 2006-2007**

**REQUEST**

Approve, adopt, and instruct the Chairman to execute the attached Resolution and instruct the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, to certify and sign two (2) original Resolutions which will authorize the Director of Mental Health to enter into the Human Immunodeficiency Virus Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS) Mental Health Services Agreement Number 04-74200-000, for the period of July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2007 with the State Department of Mental Health (SDMH).

**BACKGROUND**

This Agreement will allow for the delivery of HIV Mental Health Services and enable the Department of Mental Health (DMH) to achieve its goals of identifying mentally ill persons living with, or at risk for, HIV infection, linking these consumers to HIV-sensitive mental health services; and providing education on the changing status of HIV/AIDS in Los Angeles County, to clinicians, administrative and support staff.

**INTENT**

The Agreement and the Resolution allows for the continuation of mental health services at DMH's directly-operated clinics and community-based treatment agencies throughout the County.

**JUSTIFICATION**

The long-term objective of HIV Mental Health Services within DMH has been to integrate HIV-related services into DMH's existing array of directly-operated clinics and contracted agencies. The services provided as a result of this Agreement serve as a model for HIV-related mental health care at community clinics across Los Angeles County.

**CONTRACTING PROCESS**

This subject does not apply.