

**BOARD LETTER – SUMMARY SHEET
HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CLUSTER**

AGENDA REVIEW	02/17/16
BOARD MEETING	03/01/16
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT	All
DEPARTMENT	Department of Mental Health (DMH)
SUBJECT	Request approval to execute an agreement with The California Endowment to host the Moving Recovery Forward Through Employment Conference, to be held on April 6, 2016.
PROGRAM	County Wide Housing, Employment
DEADLINES	April 6, 2016
COST & FUNDING	The total estimated cost of the attached agreement for the Moving Recovery Forward Through Employment Conference is \$2,000 and is fully funded with State MHPA revenue included in DMH's FY 2015-16 Final Adopted Budget.
PURPOSE OF REQUEST	Board approval of the recommended actions will authorize DMH to execute an agreement with The California Endowment (The CA Endow) to host the Moving Recovery Forward Through Employment Conference for FY 2015-16. Additionally, Board approval will allow DMH to execute agreements with conference sites and catering services, for three subsequent annual Adult Employment Conferences through FY 2018-19.
SUMMARY/ ISSUES (Briefly summarize program and potential issues or concerns. Identify changes, if any, to level of funding or staffing; how funding will be utilized and why best use; prior accomplishments; and for BLs involving contracts, also note changes to the contract term.)	<p>Since 2007, DMH and the Mental Health Commission have sponsored an annual conference to help consumers understand that they can be gainfully employed. By collaborating with employment specialists and job developers in underserved and unserved communities, DMH is seeking to reduce barriers for people with a mental illness seeking employment.</p> <p>The Moving Recovery Forward Through Employment Conference is intended to benefit the mental health community by providing training opportunities to consumers, mental health professionals, employment specialists, and job developers. Conference trainings will be presented by experts in the field of employing individuals that are mentally ill.</p> <p>The conference hosted an estimated 250 attendees in FY 2014-15, which included consumers, mental health professionals, employment specialists, and job developers. The estimated number of attendees for FY 2015-16 is 280.</p>
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