

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

<b>AGENDA REVIEW</b>	06/05/14
<b>BOARD MEETING</b>	06/17/14
<b>SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT</b>	All
<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	Mental Health
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Approval to enter into a new sole source consultant services agreement with the California Mental Health Directors Association (CMHDA) for a three-year term commencing on July 1, 2014.
<b>PROGRAM</b>	Provide leadership, advocacy, expertise, and support to California county mental health programs charged with serving individuals with serious mental illness.
<b>DEADLINES</b>	None
<b>COST &amp; FUNDING</b>	The total cost of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-15 Total Compensation Amount for the CMHDA Agreement is \$161,820, funded by State MHSA revenue. Funding for this Agreement is included in Department of Mental Health's (DMH) FY 2014-15 Chief Executive Office Recommended Budget. Funding for future years will be requested through DMH's annual budget process. There is no net County cost impact associated with the recommended actions.
<b>PURPOSE OF REQUEST</b>	Board approval of the recommended actions will allow DMH to enter into an Agreement with CMHDA to provide consulting services. CMHDA's current Agreement expires on June 30, 2014.
<b>SUMMARY/ ISSUES</b>  (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; and prior accomplishments.)	<p>CHMDA is the only entity within the State that has an unparalleled awareness of mental health issues to guide community mental health service providers through the various complexities of the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Programs and the to deliver quality level services to our constituents within the State of California and the County of Los Angeles.</p> <p>The Director of Mental Health participates in meetings as a Governing Board Member with CMHDA, but he is not compensated and does not benefit financially in any way. In addition, the Director of Mental Health did not participate in the approval process for this Agreement. County Counsel has advised that the conflict of interest laws therefore do not preclude the County from entering into an Agreement with CMHDA.</p> <p>The members of CMHDA and the individuals employed to support the various counties continue to be needed until the public mental health system is fully transformed under the MHSA. CMHDA will provide critical assistance to DMH in further developing transformation plans and its quality of care system with limited resources.</p>
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