

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

AGENDA REVIEW	7/23/2014
BOARD MEETING	8/05/2014
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT	All
DEPARTMENT	Mental Health
SUBJECT	Approval to enter into a new Consultant Services Agreement with the Los Angeles County Alliance for the Mentally Ill aka Los Angeles County Coordinating Council for Family and Parent Advocacy Education and Training Programs Countywide.
PROGRAM	Adult System of Care
DEADLINES	N/A
COST & FUNDING	\$2,984,000 for 4 years fully funded with State MHSA revenue (WET).
PURPOSE OF REQUEST	Approval to award a Consultant Services Agreement to Los Angeles County Alliance for the Mentally Ill aka, Los Angeles County Coordinating Council (LACCC), to implement Family and Parent Advocacy Education and Training Programs Countywide.
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>Board approval of the recommended actions will allow the DMH to enter into an Agreement with LACCC to provide family and peer-based education programs and consultative services directly to family members and parents/caregivers caring for children, transitional-age youth, adults and older adults with mental illness. These programs will be provided in an effort to reduce stigma and discrimination related to mental health and to establish a trained workforce of family members, parents/caregivers within the Los Angeles mental health community to provide advocacy and education opportunities to the community at large on mental health.</p> <p>With the implementation of this agreement, DMH expects to put into action a countywide collaborative, evidence-based life=span approach to providing stigma and discrimination reduction efforts for parents of children, inclusive of family members of older adults dealing with a mental illness.</p> <p>Term is 4 years. Funding is \$746,000 per year (TCA is \$2,984,000) fully funded with State MHSA revenue (WET).</p>
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