

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

<b>AGENDA REVIEW</b>	6/3/15
<b>BOARD MEETING</b>	8/18/15
<b>SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT</b>	All
<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	Mental Health
<b>SUBJECT</b>	Approval for hiring authority to further enhance the services provided under the Mental Health Services Act Three-Year Program for Fiscal Year 2015-16
<b>PROGRAM</b>	Directly Operated
<b>DEADLINES</b>	n/a
<b>COST &amp; FUNDING</b>	\$5,424,917 = (\$2,722,670 State MHSA revenue + \$2,702,247 FFP M/C funds) Funding will be included in DMH's Supplemental Budget for Fy 2015-16 .
<b>PURPOSE OF REQUEST</b>	Board approval of the recommend action will provide hiring authority to the Department, and enable DMH directly operated clinics and programs to increase program capacity, enhance the availability of services, and improve the efficiency and effectiveness of mental health operations within the Adult and Older Adult populations. Increased staffing for the expanded programs is required to ensure coordination and linkage to services under the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Community Services and Supports (CSS) Plan, including Field Capable Clinical Services (FCCS), Full Service Partnership (FSP), Wellness, and Mental Health Promoters programs.
<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; prior accomplishments; and for BLs involving contracts, also note changes to the contract term.)	<p>On July 15, 2014, your Board approved the MHSA Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan which included recommended service expansions of programs designed to enhance the clients' ability to achieve their goals for recovery, wellness, and resiliency. As a result, DMH is seeking your Board's authority for a hiring authority to support the service expansions of programs covered under the MHSA Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan.</p> <p>Pursuant to Section 6.06.020 of the County Code, DMH is asking your Board's approval to fill 60 ordinance FTE positions.</p>
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