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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: JoAnn Melgar for Mary Butler - Interim Director
Health & Human Services Administration

REPORT BY: Shelli Brobst, Employee Support and Development/Contracts Manager - 253-4720

SUBJECT: Public Hearing Considering Adoption of a Resolution establishing a revised Mental Health Client Fee Schedule

RECOMMENDATION

Interim Director of Health and Human Services requests adoption of a resolution establishing a revised Mental Health Services fee schedule and amend Section III, Part 120.200 of the Napa County Policy Manual, "Fees for Services Provided by County Departments and Agencies."

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The revised fee schedule provides a required element in the County's Health and Human Services Agency's (HHS) Mental Health Program structure—specifically, a schedule of published client fees for each mental health service that HHS provides.

If the resolution is adopted, all of the County's Mental Health fees will be set at the maximum rates the County can bill to federal pay sources. The revised fee schedule for County Mental Health services will be in effect until revised by the Board.

PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

1. Open Public Hearing.
2. Staff reports.
3. Public comment.
4. Close Public Hearing.
5. Motion, second, discussion and vote on the item.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Health & Human Services Mental Health
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Mandatory
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	As of July 1, 2012, In accordance with AB1297, the County can claim a rate based on actual costs of services. The rates for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 were calculated using the most current Mental Health Cost Report from Fiscal Year 2016-2017 and, if the resolution is adopted, the revised schedule for all the County's Mental Health fees will be set at the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 cost of services with an adjustment factor of eight percent to salary and benefit costs which reflects the approved COLAs for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and 2018-2019. The department will continue to use this methodology for calculating future fiscal year rates.
Consequences if not approved:	If the resolution is not adopted, the County will not have an updated Board-established Mental Health fee schedule for Fiscal Year 2018-2019. This would result in the County being unable to recover the current costs of services resulting in a decrease in revenue from Medi-Cal, Private Insurance, and Client Billing.

Additional Information:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

There is no Environmental Impact for this item.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

Board adoption is requested of a resolution establishing a revised schedule of published client fees for mental health services provided by the Health and Human Services Agency (HHS) until further revisions are approved.

To bill federal pay sources for reimbursement, federal and state regulations require the County to set a client fee schedule for the mental health services it provides and to charge clients for the services on the basis of each client's ability to pay. The revised fee schedule provides the basis for determining how much each client must pay. While the actual revenue that the County receives from client fees is low (since it is based on clients' ability to pay), the County is nevertheless required to set and charge client fees. The clients' ability to pay is based on their eligibility and a prescribed State Uniform Method of Determining the Ability to Pay ("UMDAP") sliding scale.

In accordance with AB 1297, the County may claim a rate based on costs of services. The rates for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 were calculated using the Mental Health Cost Report for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 and, if the resolution is adopted, the revised schedule for all of the County's mental health fees will be set at the Fiscal Year 2016-2017 cost of services with an adjustment factor of eight percent to salary and benefit costs which

reflects the approved COLAs for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 and 2018-2019.

This item is specifically exempt from the voting requirements of Article XIII C of the California Constitution because, when charges to a client are less than the County's rate, the difference between the amount charged and the County's rate is not subsidized by higher payments from others; the balance is funded by Mental Health Realignment or HHSA General Fund.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A . Resolution

B . Exhibit A - Tracked Changes

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Ben Guerrieri