



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: William Walker, M.D., Health Services
Date: October 18, 2016

Subject: Add two Part time Mental Health Clinical Specialist positions in the Health Services Department

RECOMMENDATION(S):

ADOPT Position Adjustment Resolution No. 21974 to add two part-time, one 16/40 and one 24/40, Mental Health Clinical Specialist (VQSB) positions at salary plan and grade level TC2 – 1384 (\$4,695 - \$6,970) for the Contra Costa Health Plan (CCHP) in the Health Services Department. (Represented)

FISCAL IMPACT:

Upon approval, this action has an annual cost of approximately \$144,485 with pension cost of \$28,549 already included. Costs will be fully funded by CCHP Enterprise Fund II.

BACKGROUND:

The Health Services Department is requesting to add two part-time Mental Health Clinical Specialist positions to assist in staffing the state and federally mandated Access Line for the Contra Costa Mental Health Plan. With increasing focus on state and federal mandates and reporting on timely access to care, it is critical that the Access line is adequately staffed to meet the need of the increasing Medi-Cal eligible population. The additional two part-time

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD
COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **10/18/2016** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: October 18, 2016

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk
of the Board of Supervisors

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clinicians

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

will support MediCal /CCHP consumer's timely access to mental health services. Additionally, some of these consumers could go straight to the Psychiatric Emergency Services unit; however, increasing mental health clinician support services may decrease the number of non-emergent Psychiatric Emergency Services visits. The Department has determined two part time Mental Health Clinical Specialist positions would be the most appropriate solution to address this growing need.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this action is not approved, the Health Services Department will not have the appropriate level of staffing to support Contra Costa Health Plan services provided by the Behavioral Health Division's Access Line Program.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

Not applicable.

ATTACHMENTS

P300 No. 21974 HSD