



Contra
Costa
County

To: Board of Supervisors
From: William Walker, M.D., Health Services Director
Date: January 26, 2010

Subject: Approval of Mental Health Commission 2010 Legislative Platform

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE the Mental Health Commission's 2010 Legislative Platform, as recommended by the Commission and the Health Services Director.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact.

BACKGROUND:

Each year the Board of Supervisors adopts a State and a federal legislative platform that establishes priorities and policy positions with regard to potential legislation and regulation. The platforms include policy issues that provide direction and guidance for identification of bills which would affect the services, programs or finance of Contra Costa County; County-Sponsored bill proposals; and issues regarding the intergovernmental relationships.

The Mental Health Commission, at their January 8, 2009 meeting, consider the need to be able to react expeditiously when the need to advocate on the

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **01/26/2010** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I
Supervisor
Gayle B. Uilkema, District II
Supervisor
Mary N. Piepho, District III
Supervisor
Susan A. Bonilla, 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: January 26, 2010

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

By: June McHuen, Deputy

Contact: Dorothy Sansoe,
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BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

part of Contra Costa County mental health consumers arose. At that meeting, they unanimously approved the attached 2010 Legislative Platform and requested that it be submitted to the Board of Supervisors for approval. This platform reflects the same priorities as those adopted by the Board of Supervisors on January 19, 2009 for Contra Costa County. The platform includes policy issues that provide direction and guidance for identification of bills which would affect the mental health services, program or finances of Contra Costa County; County-sponsored bill proposals; and issues regarding the State and local budget and state-local relationships.

To provide a streamlined approach to the appointed members of the Mental Health to advocate on behalf of mental health consumers in Contra Costa County, the Department of Health Services recommends that the Board of Supervisors approve the attached platform and authorize the Mental Health Commission to take positions on issues that fall under this platform.

ATTACHMENTS

MHC 2009 Legislative Platform