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**THROUGH:** Barbara A. Garcia, MPA  
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**DATE:** May 7, 2015

**SUBJECT:** San Francisco Community Behavioral Health Services (CBHS) Performance Contract with the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), requiring approval by the Board of Supervisors and designation of the Community Behavioral Health Director as the signatory of the agreement.

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#### Purpose of Memorandum

This memorandum provides an explanation of the Community Behavioral Health Services (CBHS) Performance Contract with the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and provides a description of the requirement that CBHS receive approval from your Board as well as designating the Community Behavioral Health Director as the signatory of this agreement.

#### Background

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) administers funding for the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH), the Mental Health Plan, and Community Mental Health Services Grant (MHBG) programs.

- **The Mental Health Services Fund (MHSA)** was established pursuant to W&I section 5890 and provides funds to counties for the implementation of its MHSA programs for prevention and early intervention, community services and supports, workforce development and training, innovation, plus capital facilities and technological needs.
- **The Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH)**, established pursuant to Title 42, United State Code, sections 290cc-21 through 290cc-35, funds community based outreach, mental health and substance use disorder referral/treatment, case management and other support services, as well as a limited set of housing services for the homeless mentally ill.
- **Federal Community Mental Health Block Grant funds (MHBG)** are awarded by DHCS to counties in California to provide services to the following target

populations: children and youth with serious emotional disturbances (SED), adults and older adults with serious mental illnesses (SMI).

- **The Mental Health Plan** (county) and the California Department of Health Care Services (Department), in accordance with Welfare and Institutions Code 14680 through 14726, enter into an agreement for implementation and administration Managed Mental Health Care for Medi-Cal eligible residents of San Francisco through contract the County's Mental Health Plan. The Department and San Francisco Community Behavioral Health Services agree to operate the Mental Health Plan for San Francisco County. In order to receive this funding, CBHS (a.k.a. the county Mental Health Plan (MHP)) is required to enter annually into a Performance Contract with the DHCS. The contract sets forth conditions and requirements the County must meet in order to receive this funding (reporting, compliance, target populations, etc.). This contract must be approved by the Board of Supervisors.

The most recent approval and designation of the Community Behavioral Health Director as the signatory of this agreement is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 140907.