

# San Francisco Department of Public Health Division of Behavioral Health Services

## Westside Methadone

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# Westside Methadone Services

- Under the proposed contract, **Westside Methadone** would continue to provide methadone treatment to reduce the impact of opiate abuse and addiction.
  - Also provides buprenorphine
  - Contracted to serve 280 individuals per year (~10% of all methadone clients in San Francisco), providing methadone every day of the year.
  - Serves adults, with a focus on Black/African American adults residing in Western Addition and SOMA, and those who are homeless, living in shelters and surrounding neighborhoods.



# Westside Methadone Within DPH-BHS SUD System of Care

- This contract is under the SFDPH-BHS system of care for substance use disorder (SUD).
- Methadone and other medications for addiction treatment (MAT) of opioid use disorder are a part of our outpatient SUD services, known as opioid treatment programs (OTP).
- MAT is the most effective way to reduce the health consequences of opioid use disorder, including overdose, HIV and hepatitis C infection, mortality, and increase wellness and recovery.
- Westside OTP in particular, serves an area of the city that is severely impacted by opioid use disorder, and expands opioid treatment options to the western part of the City.
- Clients may walk-in or be referred to OTP treatment. Services are available for same day admission, assessment and induction on medication (methadone or buprenorphine) at all OTP clinics Monday-Friday. The Bayview Hunter's Point clinic offers Saturday intakes.

## Continuum of SUD Treatment Services in San Francisco

### Psychosocial treatments

- Individual and group counseling
- Contingency management
- Cognitive behavioral therapy

### Medication treatments or interventions

- Opioid use disorder
- Alcohol use disorder
- Managed alcohol
- Withdrawal management
- Overdose education and naloxone distribution

### Assessment, linkage, and service navigation

### Transitional housing supports

### Prevention services



# Proposed Contract Amendment

- DPH agrees with BLA recommendations
- DPH requests approval of the proposed resolution



# Thank You



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