



## San Francisco Department of Public Health

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**TO:** Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Maximilian Rocha, LCSW  
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**THROUGH:** Grant Colfax  
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**DATE:** August 9, 2022

**SUBJECT:** Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Intergovernmental Agreement No. 22-20154 for Substance Use Disorder Services for Fiscal Years 2022-23 through 2026-2027.

### **Purpose of this memorandum:**

This memorandum provides an explanation of the Multi-Year Intergovernmental Agreement for Substance Use Disorder Services (SUDS) between San Francisco and the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), an agreement that is handled by the San Francisco Department of Public Health, Behavioral Health Services (DPH-BHS), for FYs 2022-27.

### **Changes from previous SUDS Agreements:**

- This five year agreement replaces the expiring three year Agreement No 19-96217, last approved by the Board of Supervisors on October 22, 2019 (File No.190943).
- This agreement reflects new Cal AIM (California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal) updates from DHCS. Cal AIM emphasizes care coordination, reduced documentation requirements, and payment reform and is a further advance of parity for substance use disorder (SUD) Medi-Cal benefits.

### **Mandatory nature, and type of agreement:**

- This is a mandatory agreement between the State and each California County. The agreement includes state general fund dollars and is also the reimbursement mechanism for Drug Medi-Cal Services.
- This is not a budget document and does not interfere with the usual budget process. The agreement includes terms and conditions for budgeted, allocated and fee for service SUDS Programs.

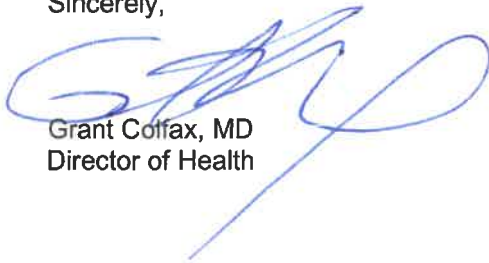
### **Retroactivity:**

DPH-BHS is requesting retroactive approval due to delays in receiving the Intergovernmental Agreement. DHCS did not send the agreement to San Francisco until August 5, 2022.

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G. Colfax', is written over the typed name and title.

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