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Subject: 6/15 BOS: DPH Retroactive Items
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Hello Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

The Department of Public Health (DPH) will request approval for two (2) retroactive items at the June 15th Full Board of Supervisors meeting. We would like to provide you with background information and reason for retroactivity prior to the meeting. Please see below for a brief description of the item and our DPH representative whom you may contact directly should you have any questions.

Agenda item #10 – File #210499 - Accept and Expend Grant - Retroactive - San Francisco General Hospital Foundation - Transform Mental Behavioral Health Fund - \$925,000 - Resolution retroactively authorizing the Department of Public Health to accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$925,000 from the San Francisco General Hospital Foundation to participate in a program, entitled “Transform Mental Behavioral Health Fund,” for the period of October 1, 2020, through August 31, 2022.

- **Program Description**: Four interdisciplinary, inter-departmental programs (Psychology, Social Medicine, Solid Start and Team Lily) within Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital's (ZSFG) behavioral and mental health services have identified challenges with consistent patient and program support and data acquisition and analysis for evaluation and impact. The first phase of this program will begin implementing immediate solutions to existing problems in patient care through:
 - Patient navigation - hiring and resourcing frontline staff
 - Training and education - particularly focused around frontline staff
 - Data needs - SFDPH/SF Health Network (SFHN) partnership, acquisition and evaluation
- **Reason for Retroactivity**: We are respectfully requesting retroactive approval to accept and expend these funds. DPH received the memoranda of understanding (MOU) on February 2, 2021 for a program start date of October 1, 2020. Upon receiving the MOU, DPH packaged the legislation for introduction on May 4, 2021.
- **DPH Representative**: Jenna Bilinski | Director, Kaizen Promotion Office, Social Medicine | San Francisco Department of Public Health | Jenna.Bilinski@sfdph.org

Agenda item #13 – File #210281 - Participation Agreement and Administrative Services Agreement - Retroactive - California Department of Health Care Services - Medi-Cal County Inmate Program - Not To Exceed \$21,504.33 - Resolution retroactively authorizing the Department of Public Health to enter into two related agreements with the California Department of Health Care Services for reimbursement under the State Medi-Cal County Inmate Program, (1) Participation Agreement 20-MCIPSANFRANCISCO-38 effective July 1, 2020, and (2) Administrative Services Agreement No. 20-10239 for the period of July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2023, for an amount not to

exceed \$21,504.33.

- **Description of the Program:** Normally, Medi-Cal coverage is suspended for anyone incarcerated, but the Medi-Cal Inmate Program (MCIP) allows counties to receive the Federal portion of Medi-Cal reimbursement for the costs of county jail inmates for inpatient hospital admissions outside the grounds of a jail for at least 24 hours (as well as for some juveniles and medical parolees). Of note, these services would have been provided to our Jail patients, regardless of reimbursement.
- **Description of the Agreements:** The Agreements with the State allow DPH to submit claims for potential reimbursement for Medi-Cal eligible services. The first agreement is an administrative agreement where counties agree to pay their share of the State costs for administering the program which is \$21,504.33 over the three years. The second is a participation agreement and outlines the terms of the reimbursement. The actual value of the reimbursements depend on the types of services rendered.
- **Reason for Retroactivity:** We are respectfully requesting authorization to enter into these agreements retroactive to July 1, 2020. During the COVID-19 pandemic, with the same level of contract staff but a significantly increased volume of contracts required to respond to COVID-19, the Department prioritized contracts supporting new and continuing services directly to clients/patients. While it is never the Department's desire to seek retroactive approval, retroactive authorization for this contract will not impact the level of reimbursement that the Department will receive.
- **DPH Representatives:**
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Thank you for your time and consideration,

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