

1 [Mental Health Services for the Indigent and Uninsured]

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3 **Ordinance amending San Francisco Administrative Code Section 15.23 to maintain a**
4 **single standard of care for the indigent and uninsured population who suffer from**
5 **serious mental illness.**

6 NOTE: Additions are *single-underline italics Times New Roman*;
7 deletions are ~~*strike-through italics Times New Roman*~~.
8 Board amendment additions are double-underlined;
9 Board amendment deletions are ~~strike through normal~~.

9 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

10 Section 1. The San Francisco Administrative Code is hereby amended by amending
11 Section 15.23, to read as follows:

12 **Sec. 15.23. Mental Health Services for Indigent and Uninsured.**

13 **(a) Findings.** The City and County of San Francisco is committed to
14 protecting public mental health services for indigent and uninsured mentally ill residents of
15 San Francisco. ~~*If timely, effective and coordinated mental health treatment is not provided to*~~
16 ~~*indigent and uninsured residents who are not seriously mentally ill, those residents are at risk of*~~
17 ~~*becoming seriously mentally ill and hence requiring more expensive and comprehensive mental health*~~
18 ~~*care from San Francisco.*~~

19 **(b) Standards.** The Department shall provide a single standard of
20 mental health services access and care for indigent and uninsured residents of the City and
21 County of San Francisco and Medi-Cal beneficiaries who are residents of the City and County
22 of San Francisco and who are suffering from a serious mental illness.

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