



San Francisco Department of Public Health

Community Behavioral Health

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Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board
San Francisco Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

RE: Treatment on Demand Assessment

Dear Ms. Calvillo:

As required by Section 19A.30 of the San Francisco Administrative Code, the Department of Public Health reports annually to the Board of Supervisors an assessment of the demand for substance abuse treatment.

Please accept and file this report, as enclosed. If you have any questions, please call me at 415 596-5750.

Sincerely,

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AVAILABILITY OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT IN SAN FRANCISCO

The Department of Public Health, Behavioral Health Service, funds, supports and oversees a broad network of approximately 45 community-based substance abuse treatment programs. The funded capacity for FY 2016-2017 listed below indicates changes in funding and slots since 2015-16.

Modality	FY15-16 Beds	FY16-17 Beds	Increase/ (Decrease)	FY15-16 Funding	FY16-17 Funding	Increase/ (Decrease)
Residential	373	377	4	\$ 13,981,814	\$ 15,781,835	\$ 1,800,021
Residential Detox	62	51	(11)	\$ 4,869,908	\$ 4,592,344	\$ (277,564)

Modality	FY15-16 UDC	FY16-17 UDC	Increase/ (Decrease)	FY15-16 Funding	FY16-17 Funding	Increase/ (Decrease)
Outpatient, Day Trea	9,510	8,970	(540)	\$ 9,000,591	\$ 8,329,172	\$ (671,419)
Narcotic Replacement	4,047	4,091	44	\$ 16,083,248	\$ 18,211,248	\$ 2,128,000

Currently the access to substance abuse treatment in San Francisco is better than at any time in the past.

There is generally no wait for:
 Narcotic Replacement Treatment,
 Outpatient Treatment,
 Residential Detox,
 Perinatal Residential Treatment.

for Residential Treatment placement the average wait during the last several months has been approximately two weeks. During the waiting time, all clients are offered counseling and outpatient group treatment. In San Francisco's large Residential Treatment system there are generally open beds every day. The department exercises immediate priority placement for acute and sensitive cases.

As of July 1, 2017, Residential Treatment and Residential Detox will become Drug Medi-Cal (federal Medicaid) reimbursable for the first time. The Department anticipates that the additional Drug Medi-Cal revenue should result in the elimination of all waiting lists over the next several years.