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SUBJECT: Adoption of San Francisco Mental Health Services Act

Annual Report for FY2015-2016

The San Francisco Department of Public Health, Behavioral Health Services, is requesting approval that would adopt the San Francisco Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Annual Report for FY2015-2016.

Background

The Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) was established pursuant to W&I section 5890 and provides funds to counties for the implementation of its MHSA programs for prevention and early intervention, community services and supports, workforce development and training, innovation, plus capital facilities and technological needs.

In order to access MHSA funding, counties are required to develop plans in collaboration with stakeholders; post the plan for a 30 day public comment period; hold a public hearing on the plan with the County Mental Health Board; and be adopted by County Boards of Supervisors prior to submission to the State.