

1 [Single Standard of Mental Health Access and Care.]

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3 **Ordinance adding Section 15.23 to the Administrative Code to provide for single**
4 **standard of mental health services access and care for indigent and uninsured San**
5 **Francisco residents and residents who are Medi-Cal beneficiaries.**

6 Note: Additions are *single-underline italics Times New Roman*;
7 deletions are ~~*strikethrough italics Times New Roman*~~.
8 Board amendment additions are double underlined.
9 Board amendment deletions are ~~strikethrough 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 adding
11 Article 3, 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 protecting public mental
14 health services for indigent and uninsured mentally ill residents of San Francisco. If timely, effective
15 and coordinated mental health treatment is not provided to indigent and uninsured residents who are
16 not seriously mentally ill, those residents are at risk of becoming seriously mentally ill and hence
17 requiring more expensive and comprehensive mental health care from San Francisco.

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

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