



SAN BENITO COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Mental Health Services Act FY 2018/2019 Addendum

POSTED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

October 11, 2018 through November 9, 2018

The MHSA FY 2018/2019 Addendum is available for public review and comment from 10/11/2018 through 11/09/2018. We welcome your feedback via phone, in person, or in writing.

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Thank you!

PURPOSE

This document serves as an Addendum to the previously-approved San Benito County Behavioral Health (SBCBH) MHSA 2018/2019 Annual Update. The Addendum addresses the Reversion Plan for Community Supports and Services (CSS) funding, as outlined below.

LOCAL REVIEW PROCESS

This MHSA FY 2018/2019 Addendum requires a 30-day public review and comment period, but it does not require a public hearing.

This Addendum has been posted for a 30-day public review and comment period from October 11, 2018 through November 9, 2018. An electronic copy is available online at www.san-benito.ca.us. Hard copies of the document are available at the Behavioral Health Outpatient clinic and in the lobbies of all frequently accessed public areas, including the San Benito County Behavioral Health Outpatient clinic lobby, Hazel Hawkins Hospital, County Administration, and the local library. In addition, hard copies of the Addendum have been distributed to all members of the Behavioral Health Advisory Board; consumers (on request); staff (on request); Esperanza Center (our Adult/TAY Wellness Center); and with partner agencies.

COMMUNITY SERVICES AND SUPPORTS

The SBCBH MHSA Community Supports and Services (CSS) program provides services to all ages [children (ages 0-15); transition age youth (ages 16-25); adults (ages 26-59); older adults (ages 60+)]; all genders; and all races/ethnicities. This CSS Program embraces a “whatever it takes” service approach in helping individuals achieve their goals.

In Fiscal Year 2018/2019, CSS funds will continue to be available through MHSA reversion dollars. These reversion funds, in the amount of \$2,169,707, will be used to continue the services and supports funded through previous CSS allocations, including comprehensive assessment services; wellness and recovery action planning; case management services; individual and group mental health services; crisis services; linkages to needed services; and housing support. CSS dollars also fund the SBCBH Drop-In Wellness Center (Esperanza Center), which provides adults and older adults with necessary services and supports in a welcoming environment, including classes, social activities, and group therapy. Several days per week, Esperanza Center provides a separate program for Transition Age Youth (TAY) with a safe, comfortable place to receive services and participate in peer-driven, age-appropriate activities. In addition, through CSS funding, outreach and engagement activities are provided to the migrant worker population, the homeless, and other at-risk individuals.

Additional CSS opportunities will be explored in order to fully expend these funds prior to the reversion date of June 30, 2020.