

COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE PUBLICATION

Oct. 6, 2005

CONTACT: Leslie Ridgeway (619) 685-2239

PUBLIC OPINION SOUGHT ON DRAFT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT PLAN

Funding to Serve Seriously Mentally III Adults, Older Adults, Seriously Emotionally Disturbed Children

The public is invited to comment on a draft plan for new mental health services offered by the San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA), Mental Health Services.

The proposal is a roadmap for the first phase of more than \$25 million to be used for new mental health services, including administrative expenses. The funding comes from the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), a voter-approved initiative to help bolster mental-health programs across the state and to transform the delivery of mental health services. Funding comes from a 1 percent tax on California millionaires.

The draft plan is available for review at www.sandiego.networkofcare.org/mh, at outpatient clinics and in clubhouses throughout the county as of Monday, Oct. 3. Comments in writing are encouraged, or the public can come to one of two public hearings scheduled for early November to share their opinions. Call 1-888-977-6763 for more information.

The proposal was developed after collecting input from more than a thousand clients and their families, mental health service providers, and other participants over the last six months, said Alfredo Aguirre, Director, San Diego County Mental Health Services.

"We involved everyone from law enforcement, to judges, to service providers, to educators, to probation," said Aguirre. "But the central voice was not the County, or the service providers, it was clients, families and advocates and what they saw as their needs."

The new funding is designed to reach populations who are underserved. In addition, services will be added to better meet the needs of homeless and those who currently get mental health services in jail. Among new initiatives for this funding includes a walk-in assessment center in North County for children, youth and their families and countywide mobile outreach services for isolated older adults with mental illness.

###

DISTRIBUTION OF DRAFT CSS PLAN TO PUBLIC LOCATIONS

LOCATIONS	ADDRESS
Mental Health Services Administration	3255 Camino del Rio South
	San Diego, CA 92108
Aging & Independent Services	7165 Broadway
East Region	Lemon Grove, CA 91945
Central/South Regions	1255 Imperial Ave., Suite 864
North Coastal/North Inland/North Central Regions	San Diego, CA 92101 1701 Mission Ave.
Notti Coasta/Notti illiand/Notti Central Negions	Oceanside, CA 92054
Child Welfare Services	6950 Levant Street
	San Diego, CA 92111
Southeast Mental Health Center	3177 Oceanview Blvd.
	San Diego, CA 92113
	619-595-4400
East County Mental Health Clinic	1000 Broadway, Suite 210
	El Cajon, CA 92021
	619-401-5500
North Central Mental Health Clinic	1250 Morean Blvd. 1st Floor
North Inland Mental Health Clinic	San Diego, CA 92110 125 West Mission Ave. #103
Notti illiand Mental Health Clinic	Escondido, CA 92025
	760-741-4461
CMHS Outpatient Clinics	1495 Pacific Highway
'	San Diego, CA
Downtown Mental Health Clinic	1568 6th Avenue
	San Diego, CA 92101
	619-235-2600
Family Health Centers of San Diego	2204 National Avenue
	San Diego, CA 92113
Areta Crowell	619-515-2342 531 16th Street
Aleta Glowell	San Diego, CA 92101
Gifford Clinic	140 Arbor Drive
	San Diego, CA 92103
	619-497-6684
Owen Clinic	200 West Arbor Drive
	San Diego, CA 92103
UPAC Counseling & Treatment Center	5348 University Ave., Suite 101
North and No. 4	San Diego, CA 92105
Northeast No. 1	4370 54th Street
Northeast No. 2	San Diego, CA 92115 5001 73rd Street
Northcast No. 2	San Diego, CA 92115
Northeast Annex	7290 El Cajon Blvd.
	El Cajon, CA 92115
Adult Day Health Center	1415 8th Street #5
	National City, CA 91950
Maria Sardinas Center	3025 Beyer Blvd. #E-102
Southeast	San Diego, CA 92154 4588 Market Street
Juniedsi	San Diego, CA 92102
BPSR East - Harland Center	1060 Estes Street
DI OIL LAGIT HAHAHA COMO	.000 20:000

	El Cajon, CA 92120
Metro	1130 10th Ave.
	San Diego, CA 92101
Central Adult Mental Health OP Services	2864 University Ave.
	San Diego, CA 92104
Project Enable	286 Euclid Ave., Suite 102
	San Diego, CA 92114
BPSR - South Bay Guidance Ctr.	835 3rd Ave.
	Chula Vista, CA 91911
Douglas Young / Central Adult Center	10717 Camino Ruiz, Suite 207
	San Diego, CA 92126
Adult Day Health Center	340 Rancheros Drive #196
	Escondido, CA 92025
Bio-Psychosocial Rehab-Center	474 West Vermont Ave.
North Inland-Escondido	Escondido, CA 92025
Adult Day Health Center	651 Eucalyptus
	Vista, CA 92083

CLUBHOUSES

Escondido Clubhouse	474 W. Vermont Ave. Escondido, CA 92025
Mariposa Clubhouse	560 Greenbrier #102 Oceanside, CA 92054
Case Del Sol Clubhouse	1157 30th Street San Diego, CA 92154
Visions	499 H Street Chula Vista, CA 91910
East Corner Clubhouse	1060 Estes Street El Cajon CA 92020
Corner Clubhouse	2864 University Ave. San Diego, CA 92104
Friend to Friend Clubhouse	1009 G Street, Suite A San Diego, CA 92101
Friendship Clubhouse	286 Euclid #104 San Diego, CA 92114