



COUNTY OF MARIN

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT (MHSA)

AMENDMENT TO THE

FY21/22 MHSA ANNUAL UPDATE

This document serves as an Amendment to the approved MHSA Annual Update for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 to increase the funding transfer by \$800,000 from Community Services and Supports (CSS) to Capital Facilities and Technological Needs (CFTN) for the purpose of saving up to procure a new Health Information Technology System.

Background: Passed by California voters in November 2004, Proposition 63, also known as the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), created a dedicated 1% increase in income taxes on personal income over \$1 million to be used for community mental health services. There are five MHSA components; Community Services and Supports (CSS), Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI), Innovation (INN), Workforce Education and Training (WET) and Capital Facilities and Technological Needs (CFTN). CSS, PEI, and INN components receive an ongoing percentage of funds while the CFTN and WET components were funded with a one-time allocation. The California Code of Regulations allows for the transfer of up to 20% of the average of the prior 5 years’ total MHSA allocation out of the Community Services and Supports (CSS) account into either the Prudent Reserve, the CFTN account, and/or the WET account.

This ability to reallocate funds is critical to the sustainability of the Capital Facilities and Technological Needs (CFTN) and Workforce Education and Training (WET) since each received only a one-time allocation at the initiation of the Mental Health Services Act fund.

Fiscal Year	Total MHSA Allocation for Marin
FY 2016-17	\$10,363,365
FY 2017-18	\$11,207,288
FY 2018-19	\$11,408,791
FY 2019-20	\$10,875,211
FY 2020-21	\$16,568,641

Average Allocation from prior 5 years (FY16/17-FY20/21)	\$12,084,659
20% of average allocation:	\$2,416,932
Amount transferred from CSS in Approved FY21/22 Annual Update:	\$1,608,190
Amount remaining eligible for transfer from CSS:	\$808,742

Approved Plan: In the approved MHSA FY 2021/22 MHSA Annual Update a total of \$1,608,190 was approved to be transferred out of CSS including \$1,142,846 approved as a transfer from CSS to CFTN. Of

that transfer, \$500,000 was designated as the initial savings for a new Health Information Technology System.

Rationale: Clinicians Gateway and ShareCare (BHRS' current EHR and Billing Software) technology systems are substantially outdated and limit the Department's ability to implement best practices in care coordination and revenue recovery. The systems' lack of integration abilities, and antiquated technology means that core processes such as maintaining client records and billing state agencies remain arduous and administratively intensive. A report developed by external consultants identified the need to find a new system in order to improve: client coordination, quality outcomes, tracking and data collection/reporting, revenue and claim adjudication, staff efficiency and reduction of duplication, transparency and accuracy of data, and access for clients to see their own medical records through API interface (e.g. accessing medical records on their cell phones).

Status of the search for a new Health Information Technology System: The County of Marin is working with CalMHSA on a 21-county initiative to pave the way for cost-effective and coordinated Health Information Technology system.

The cost of a new system transformation will be approx. \$10 million dollars including the costs for increased staffing and contracts to support the transition. Given the revenue in FY20/21 was significantly higher than the estimated funding, Marin is amending the FY21/22 Annual Update to maximize the opportunity for leveraging CFTN funding for this purpose.

Stakeholder Process: This priority was discussed and prioritized at every FY21/22 MHSA Community Planning meeting. BHRS held two community-wide Community Planning meetings (one day time, one evening), two community planning meetings focused on those with lived experience (one virtual, one in person), as well as community planning meetings with the Mental Health Board, MHSA Advisory Committee, and Youth Mental Health Action Committee.

This amendment will be going out for public comment from April 11-May 10, 2022, with a public hearing hosted by the Mental Health Board on May 10, 2022 at 6pm.

Amendment to page 102 of the approved FY2021-22 MHSA Annual Update:

COMMUNITY SERVICES AND SUPPORTS (CSS) COMPONENT BUDGET

Program	FY21/22	Amendment to FY21/22
FSP-01 Youth Empowerment Services (YES)	\$830,064	no changes
FSP-02 Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Program	\$695,991	no changes
FSP-03 Support and Treatment After Release (STAR)	\$810,175	no changes
FSP-04 Helping Older People Excel (HOPE)	\$824,366	no changes
FSP-05 Odyssey	\$1,246,314	no changes
FSP-06 Integrated Multi-Service Partnership Assertive Community Treatment (IMPACT)	\$759,442	no changes
SDOE-01 Enterprise Resource Center (ERC)	\$477,102	no changes
SDOE-09 Crisis Continuum of Care	\$1,585,536	no changes
SDOE-10 First Episode Psychosis (FEP)	\$159,763	no changes
SDOE-11 Consumer Operated Wellness Center (Empowerment Clubhouse)	\$330,899	no changes
SDOE-13 Recovery-Oriented System Development	\$1,033,061	no changes
SDOE-14 Stepping Up	\$443,110	no changes
SDOE-15 Community Outreach and Engagement	\$530,008	no changes
SDOE-16 Homeless Support and Outreach	\$1,134,390	no changes
Subtotal	\$10,860,221	No changes
MHSA Coordinator and Ethnic Services Manager	\$235,851	no changes
FSP Program Support	\$229,425	no changes
Administration and Indirect	\$2,015,386	no changes
Community Planning	\$50,000	no changes
Contingency (indigent)	\$118,903	no changes
Total	\$13,509,786	No changes
Transfer to Workforce Education and Training	\$465,344	no changes
Transfer to Capital Facilities and Technological Needs	\$1,142,846	\$1,942,846
Total Transfers out of CSS	\$1,608,190	\$2,408,190
TOTAL INCLUDING TRANSFERS	\$15,117,976	\$15,917,976

Amendment to page 111 of the approved FY2021-22 MHSA Annual Update:

CAPITAL FACILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY NEEDS (CFTN)

ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD AND PRACTICE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM ENHANCEMENTS

MHSA ALLOCATION FY21/22: ~~\$328,479~~ \$428,479 for FY21/22 expenditures and ~~\$500,000~~ \$1,200,000 to start saving and leveraging other funding sources for a new Health Information Technology System

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: With the Technology Needs (TN) Project, Marin County will continue to improve the performance of the electronic health record (EHR) system to support optimal clinical effectiveness and provide accessible and meaningful consumer outcome data with a focus on improvements for reporting both for state requirements and local evaluation efforts; enhancing care coordination efforts through enhanced client care teams; and using technology to improve our overall system of care. Marin County will also further improve the efficiency of the practice management system to ensure preparedness for the upcoming shift to alternate payment methodologies, including value-based payments.

Marin's TN Project is designed to use technological resources and strategies to modernize and transform clinical and administrative information systems through the follow components:

1. Disaster recovery preparedness.
2. Ongoing Electronic Health Record (EHR) and Practice Management (PM) upgrades to remain compliant with current and future requirements.
3. Clinical enhancements to improve service coordination
4. Planning, preparing, and saving for a new Health Information Technology System

EXPECTED OUTCOMES: The expected outcomes for the TN Component are as follows:

- Improve integration of the EHR and PM systems.
- Transition EHR from a hybrid paper/digital format to an entirely digital format by supporting electronic client signatures, electronic medication, and laboratory orders.
- Support capture of clinical information in the field, where services are delivered.
- Become and remain current with State and Federal clinical quality documentation and reporting standards.
- Participate in the Marin Health Gateway, the local Health Information Exchange (HIE).