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# AGENDA ITEM 4

Action

October 27, 2016 Commission Meeting

Orange County Innovation Projects

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**Summary:** The Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC or Commission) will consider approval of Orange County's request to fund three new Innovative (INN) projects: (1) *Community Employment Services* for a total of \$2,404,815 in INN component funding over five years; (2) *Employment and Mental Health Services Impact* for a total of \$1,645,657 in INN component funding over five years; and (3) *Job Training and On-site Support for TAY* for a total of \$6,531,770 in INN component funding over five years.

This item is a continuance of Commission consideration at from the September 22, 2016 meeting. All enclosed materials are identical to those presented for that meeting. The County will be providing a revised PowerPoint presentation as a handout.

The Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) requires that an INN project does one of the following: (a) introduces a new mental health practice or approach, including but not limited to prevention and early intervention; (b) makes a change to an existing mental health practice or approach, including, but not limited to, adaptation for a new setting or community; (c) introduces to the mental health system a promising community-driven practice/approach, that has been successful in non-mental health contexts or settings; or (d) participates in a housing program designed to stabilize a person's living situation while also providing supportive services on site. The law also requires that an INN project address one of the following as its primary purpose: (1) increase access to underserved groups, (2) increase the quality of services including measurable outcomes, (3) promote interagency and community collaboration, or (4) increase access to services.

(1) The Community Employment Services project proposes to increase the quality of services, including measurable outcomes in employment, by offering on-site, peer-supported employment coaching for up to 40 individuals per year living with persistent mental health challenges. The INN project complies with all MHSA requirements.

For this five-year project Orange County is requesting MHSA INN funds authorization from the MHSOAC in the amount of \$2,404,815.

(2) Employment and Mental Health Services Impact project proposes to increase access to services by co-locating and integrating behavioral health clinicians at employment centers in Orange County. The INN project complies with all MHSA requirements.

For this five-year project the County is requesting MHSA INN funds authorization from the MHSOAC in the amount of \$1,645,657.

3) Job Training and On-Site Support for TAY project proposes to increase the quality of services, including better outcomes in employment of TAY by creating a kitchen/food service business with on-site employment and behavioral health coaches. This INN project complies with all MHSA requirements.

For this five-year project the County is requesting MHSA INN funds authorization from the MHSOAC in the amount of \$6,531,770.

**Presenters:**

- Brian Sala, Ph.D., Deputy Director, Evaluation and Program Operations
- Flor Tehrani Yousefian, Interim Administrative Manager for Innovative Projects

**Enclosures (4):** (1) Staff Innovation Summary, Community Employment Services; (2) Staff Innovation Summary, Employment and Mental Health Services Impact; (3) Staff Innovation Summary, Job Training and On-site Support for TAY; (4) County Innovation Brief.

**Handout:** A PowerPoint will be presented at the meeting.

**Proposed Motion:** The MHSOAC approves Orange County's Innovation plans, as follows:

**Name:** Community Employment Services

**Amount:** \$2,404,815

**Project Length:** Five Years

**Name:** Employment and Mental Health Services Impact

**Amount:** \$1,645,657

**Project Length:** Five Years

**Name:** Job Training and On-site Support for TAY

**Amount:** \$ 6,531,770

**Project Length:** Five Years