



Mental Health Services
Oversight & Accountability Commission

SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY INNOVATION PLAN

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San Francisco County Profile

- Covers 46.87 square miles
 - 2013 US Census Bureau*
Population Estimate: 837,442
 - African American: 6.0%
 - Asian/Pacific Islander: 34.9%
 - Euro American: 41.6%
 - Latino: 15.3%
 - Native American: 0.8%



* Does not add to 100% - categories might overlap and 4.1% contain two or more races.

The Mental Health Services Act Requires that Innovation Programs comply with one of the following:

- A) introduces new mental health practices or approaches, 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, or; C) introduces to the mental health system a promising community-driven practice/ approach, that has been successful in non-mental health contexts or settings.



The law also requires that an Innovation program addresses one of the following as its primary purpose:

- **(1) increase access to underserved groups; (2) increase the quality of services including measurable outcomes; (3) promotes interagency and community collaboration; (4) increase access to services.**
- **The two San Francisco Innovation Programs adhere to the above requirements by making a change to an existing mental health practice or approach and have the primary purpose of increasing access to underserved groups.**



San Francisco County Innovation Programs

San Francisco County is requesting \$1,036,392 for the following two Innovation Programs:

- Addressing the Needs of Socially Isolated Adults
 - Amount: \$500,000
 - Program length: Two-Years

- Transgender Pilot Program
 - Amount: \$536,392
 - Program length: Two-Years



San Francisco County Innovation Programs

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Addressing the Needs of Socially Isolated Adults

This Innovation Program will provide increased access to underserved groups by engaging and connecting socially isolated adults living in the Tenderloin neighborhood in San Francisco with social networks and behavioral health services through the use of the peer-to-peer model.



Evaluation

Addressing the Needs of Socially Isolated Adults

The Innovation Program will:

- **Administer a survey to track clients' perceived and actual isolation/connection at the beginning of the program and at six month intervals.**
- **Collect information about supports that are most useful for isolated adults.**
- **Hold a focus group to collect additional information from participants and peers related to their experiences.**

Commission staff have reviewed this Innovation Program for consistency with the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) requirements and recommends approval.



San Francisco County Innovation Programs (Continued)

Transgender Pilot Program

This Innovation Program will increase access to services for underserved groups by creating social support networks to engage Trans Women of Color into culturally responsive mental health services.



Evaluation

Transgender Pilot Program

The Innovation Program will assess the following outcomes related to increased access:

- Did participants increase their access of mental health services as a direct result of the provided services?
- Was an overall increase in enrollment in county services by transgender women of color following program implementation?
- Is there an increase in community services that promote mental health recovery?

Commission staff have reviewed this Innovation Program for consistency with the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) requirements and recommends approval.



San Francisco County Innovation Programs

Motion:

The MHSOAC approves San Francisco County's Innovation Programs:

- **Name: Addressing the Needs of Socially Isolated Adults**
 - Amount: \$500,000
 - Program Length: 2 Years

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- **For a total amount of \$1,036,392**