May 8, 2018

Marin County Board of Supervisors
3501 Civic Center Drive
San Rafael, CA  94903

SUBJECT: Update from the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Whole Person Care, regarding program development and implementation of services.

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION:
1. Receive Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Whole Person Care update on program development and implementation of services.

SUMMARY:
On July 18, 2017, your Board accepted the Department’s recommendation to establish the Whole Person Care (WPC) Division within HHS. WPC is a cross-sectoral, interdepartmental, multi-disciplinary “Housing First” collective impact strategy to; address the social determinants of health, focus on high utilizers of the healthcare system, increase data sharing and care coordination across systems, reduce homelessness, increase initiation of alcohol and/or other drug treatment, and decrease emergency room visits and hospitalizations. While the Department is serving as the WPC lead agency, representatives from many community agencies have a role in the implementation of the WPC pilot.

WPC’s goal is for systems-level change to result in new, coordinated and sustainable approaches to meeting the needs of high-risk, high-cost Medi-Cal beneficiaries. An essential element of WPC is effectively building upon and braiding programs, services, and interventions that are working well and ensuring these efforts are integrated and leveraged.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no fiscal component associated with the acceptance of this report.

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Respectfully submitted,
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