

Restore Outpatient Funding

“40 Year Service Agency To Close? SAVE Chamberlain’s”!

We sincerely hope to avoid this headline. But, the continuation of Chamberlain’s Mental Health Services is at risk.

Bad News

- \$400k reduction in OP Svcs 1-1-16
- Transfer of 90-100 clients
- Services leaving S County? Or transferred to much larger agency?
- Bigger is not necessarily better!!
- Defeats core value of Consumer Choice
- Proposal process: 1st RFP in >20 yrs for OP svcs, 8 separate categories at once
 - inconsistent ratings = questionable reliability = suspect validity
 - NO Appeal at all! No consideration of recent, actual performance
 - “Better” proposal writer does not = better program
 - invalidates our excellent work in recent years; repudiates a successful method of operation
 - Aim to “Level the Playing Field” results in this??
- Is CMHS merely “collateral damage”?
- If it can happen to the new Bay Bridge & Levi Stadium, it can happen to the SCC DBHS RFP Process for Outpatient Services after a > 20 year hiatus.

Good News

1. Very High Services Volume; expanded per County request
2. Lowest Cost per Unit of Service of any County Mental Health Provider (OP)
3. Exceptionally High Client Satisfaction
4. Above & Beyond: Client Welfare Always Top Priority
5. Trauma-Focused Expertise (Evidenced-Based Practice)
6. Staff Ethnically Congruent with Client Population
7. Results Oriented

CMHS has a superb record of service to South County.

We are big enough to serve, but small enough to know our families.