

Board Inquiry Form

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Request/ Question:

Items # 2, #3 reducing homeless contracts by 32% - Can you or can't you transfer to MHSA - if so what other program may be cut?

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Response:

ADMHS has consulted with County Counsel about the \$125K Core Mental Health Fund 44 homeless services shortfall and whether Mental Health Service Act (MHSA) Fund 48, particularly Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Resources will cover the shortfall.

County Counsel has advised that there is no supplantation issue involved with moving these Fund 44 homeless services to MHSA. In the meantime, County Counsel and our ADMHS contracts and program staff have been independently reviewing several of the current homeless contracts and reviewing how their services fall within the MHSA guidelines, particularly PEI. From County Counsel's review, ADMHS is advised that the if homeless shelter case management programs were to be moved to the MHSA fund, the current contracts would need to be scrutinized and modified, as appropriate, to assure they fall within MHSA guidelines.

Accordingly, ADMHS will carry our further work with County Counsel to review the contracts and determine any needed modifications before rendering a decision about the appropriateness of the move of homeless services to MHSA. After any needed modifications, should ADMHS and County Counsel then be agreement that one or more homeless contracts could be moved to MHSA, ADMHS' next step would be to bring the proposal to move homeless funding from Fund 44 to 48 to the Mental Health Commission when they consider the ADMHS FY12-13 MHSA Annual Plan Update, which will be in the late summer or early fall, 2012.