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Michael Traverso, Branch Director and Administrator Modoc County Health Services 441 N. Main St Alturas, CA 96101

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-18 - County Performance Unit Report

Dear Branch Director Traverso,

Enclosed are the results of Modoc County's 2017-18 Substance Abuse (SA) Block Grant (BG)<sup>1</sup> State County Contract compliance review. The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) is responsible for monitoring requirements of the SABG County Contract operated by Modoc County.

The County Performance Unit (CPU) within the Performance & Integrity Branch (PIB) of DHCS performed a comprehensive review based on responses to the monitoring instrument, discussion with county staff, supporting documentation and requirements. The enclosed report addresses and/or identifies compliance deficiencies, required corrective actions, advisory recommendations, and referral for technical assistance.

Modoc County is required to submit a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) addressing each deficiency noted to the CPU Analyst by 7/30/2018. The CAP must follow the guidelines detailed within the attached report. Please reference the enclosed CAP instructions and e-mail the CAP to the CPU Analyst. Supporting CAP documentation may be e-mailed or mailed to the address listed below. If you have any questions regarding this report or need assistance, please contact the CPU Analyst.

Sincerely,

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<sup>1</sup> Title 45 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 96, Subpart L – Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant requirements

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Substance Abuse Block Grant County Performance Unit Report Modoc County

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Assisting CPU Analyst: N/A

Review Period: 2017-18

County: Modoc

## **County Address:**

Modoc County Health Services 441 N. Main St Alturas, CA 96101

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) is required to provide programmatic, administrative, and fiscal oversight of the statewide Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant (SABG), the State County Contract, and Drug Medi-Cal (DMC) Substance Use Disorder (SUD) services through annual compliance reviews.

This report summarizes the findings of the compliance review conducted by the County Performance Unit (CPU).

# **REVIEW SCOPE**

- I. Regulations:
  - a. 45 CFR; Part 96; Subpart L; §96.121 through 96.137: Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant
  - b. 42 USC, Section 300x-21 through 300x-66: Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block
  - c. HSC, Division 10.5, Section 11750 11970: State Department of Health Care
- II. Program Requirements:
  - a. State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2017-18 State County Contract, herein referred to as State County Contract
  - b. State of California Youth Treatment Guidelines Revised August 2002
  - c. DHCS Perinatal Services Network Guidelines FY 2016-17
  - d. National Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS)
  - e. Alcohol and Drug Program (ADP) Bulletins
  - f. Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders Services (MHSUDS) Information Notices

## CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN (CAP)

Pursuant to the State County Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part I, Section 3, 7, (a-d) each compliance deficiency (CD) and new requirement (NR) identified must be addressed via a Corrective Action Plan (CAP). The CAP is due within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of this monitoring report.

The CAP shall include:

- a) A statement of CD/NR
- b) A list of action steps to be taken to correct the CD/NR
- c) A date of completion for each CD/NR
- d) Who will be responsible for correction and ongoing compliance.

The CPU analyst will monitor progress of the CAP completion.

#### **NEW REQUIREMENTS (NR)**

Due to a delay in the SABG contract finalization, findings related to the standards and requirements will not be identified as a compliance deficiency; however, a plan to fulfil the new requirements must be submitted.

## SUMMARY OF FY 2017-18 COMPLIANCE DEFICIENCIES (CD)

Section:	Number of CD's:
1.0 Administration	0
2.0 SABG Monitoring	2
3.0 Perinatal	0
4.0 Adolescent/Youth Treatment	0
5.0 Primary Prevention	0
6.0 Cultural Competence	0
7.0 CalOMS and DATAR	0
8.0 Privacy and Information Security	1

# PREVIOUS CAPs

During the FY 2017-18 review, the following CAP(s) with CD(s) are still outstanding.

#### FY 2016-17:

CD 3.26: The County did not provide current Title 22 training materials.

CD 3.27: The County did not provide a copy of policies and procedures in place for monitoring and evaluating system of care, including a system for addressing problems that develop regarding waiting times and appointments.

Please provide the following within the completed 2017-18 CAP

- a) A list of action steps to be taken to correct the CD/NR
- b) A date of completion for each CD/NR
- c) Who will be responsible for correction and ongoing compliance.

## Section 1: ADMINISTRATION

A review of the County's Organizational Chart, subcontracted contracts, and policies and procedures were reviewed to ensure compliance with applicable regulations and standards. The following new requirements in regulations, standards, or protocol requirements were identified:

#### NEW REQUIREMENTS:

#### NR 1.10

State County Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part III, F

Contractor shall document the total number of referrals necessitated by religious objection to other alternative SUD providers. The Contractor shall annually submit this information to DHCS' Program Support and Grants Management Branch by e-mail at DHCSSUDCharitableChoice@dhcs.ca.gov by October. The annual submission shall contain all substantive information required by DHCS and be formatted in a manner prescribed by DHCS.

**Finding:** The County did not submit the total number of referrals necessitated by religious objection to DHCS Program Support and Grants Management Branch by October.

#### NR 1.14:

State County Contract Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part I, Section 1, C, 5

Contractor and all its subcontractors shall comply with the Minimum Quality Drug treatment Standards for SABG for all Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment programs either partially or fully funded by SABG. The Minimum Quality Drug Treatment Standards for SABG are attached to this Contract as Document 2F (b), incorporated by reference. The incorporation of any new Minimum Quality Drug Treatment Standards into this Contract shall not require a formal amendment.

**Finding:** According to the 2017-2020 State County Contract, programs are required to abide by the Minimum Quality Drug Treatment Standards, a component of the contract. Due to a delay in contract finalization, findings related to the standards will not be identified as a deficiency; however, a plan to fulfill the new requirements must be submitted. Minimum Quality Treatment Standards will need to be added into County's current and future monitoring tools.

# 2.0 SABG MONITORING

The following deficiencies in the SABG monitoring requirements were identified:

#### COMPLIANCE DEFICIENCIES:

#### CD 2.18

State-County Contract Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part I, Section 3, A, 1, a-e

Monitoring: Contractor's performance under this Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part I, shall be monitored by DHCS during the terms of this Contract. Monitoring criteria shall include, but not limited to:

- (a) Whether the quantity of work or services being performed conforms to Exhibit B A2;
- (b) Whether the Contractor has established and is monitoring appropriate quality standards;
- (c) Whether the Contractor is abiding by all the terms and requirements of this Contract;
- (d) Whether the Contractor is abiding by the terms of the Perinatal Services Network Guidelines (Document 1G); and
- (e) Whether the Contractor conducted annual onsite monitoring reviews of services and subcontracted services for programmatic and fiscal requirements.

Contractor shall submit copy of its monitoring and audit reports to DHCS within two weeks of issuance. Reports should be sent by secure, encrypted e-mail to:

sudcountyreports @dhcs.ca.gov or Substance Use Disorder - Program, Policy and Fiscal Division Performance Management Branch, Department of Health Care Services, PO Box 997413, MS-2627, Sacramento, CA 95899-7413

**Finding:** The County did not provide a copy and/or did not have all the SABG program requirements within their monitoring tool. The following criteria are missing:

- Charitable Choice
- Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000
- Fiscal Requirements

#### CD 2.20:

<u>State-County Contract Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part I, Section 3, A, 1, e</u> Monitoring: Contractor's performance under this Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part I, shall be monitored by DHCS during the terms of this Contract. Monitoring criteria shall include, but not limited to:

(e) Whether the Contractor conducted annual onsite monitoring reviews of services and subcontracted services for programmatic and fiscal requirements.

Contractor shall submit copy of its monitoring and audit reports to DHCS within two weeks of issuance. Reports should be sent by secure, encrypted email to

SUDCountyReports@dhcs.ca.gov or mailed to Substance Use Disorder - Program, Policy and Fiscal Division Performance Management Branch, Department of Health Care Services, PO Box 997413, MS-2627, Sacramento, CA 95899-7413

**Finding:** The County did not monitor all County services for required SABG programmatic and fiscal requirements.

## **8.0 PRIVACY AND INFORMATION SECURITY**

The following deficiencies in Privacy and Information Security regulations, standards, or protocol requirements were identified:

#### **COMPLIANCE DEFICIENCIES:**

#### CD 8.56:

State-County Contract, Exhibit F, Attachment I, Section I, D

Background Check. Before a member of the workforce may access Department PHI or PI, a background screening of that worker must be conducted. The screening should be commensurate with the risk and magnitude of harm the employee could cause, with more thorough screening being done for those employees who are authorized to bypass significant technical and operational security controls. The Contractor shall retain each workforce member's background check documentation for a period of three (3) years.

#### State-County Contract, Exhibit F, F-2, 3, B, 2

Safeguards. To implement appropriate and reasonable administrative, technical, and physical safeguards to protect the security, confidentiality and integrity of Department PI and PII, to protect against anticipated threats or hazards to the security or integrity of Department PI and PII, and to prevent use or disclosure of Department PI or PII other than as provided for by this Agreement. Contractor shall develop and maintain a written information privacy and security program that include administrative, technical and physical safeguards appropriate to the size and complexity of Contractor's operations and the nature and scope of its activities, which incorporate the requirements of section 3, Security, below. Contractor will provide DHCS with its current policies upon request.

**Finding:** The County did not provide a policy detailing background screening to determine employee eligibility to access PHI or PI.

# 10.0 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The County did not request technical assistance for FY 17-18.