Sonoma Developmental Center – 2016 Plan for a Health Disability Resource Center

Operating since 1891, the Sonoma Developmental Center (SDC) now serves approximately 350 residents with the most complex intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD). The Department of Developmental Services (DDS) submitted to the California Legislature a plan for closure of the SDC by December 2018. The SDC Closure Plan established as its highest priority that no resident would be moved from the SDC “...until appropriate services and supports identified in their Individual Program Plan (IPP) are available in the community.” In support of this priority, the County is proposing to establish a Health Disability Resource Center that will act as a regional hub of services providing SDC residents and regional center clients throughout Northern California with access to medical, dental, behavioral, and crisis services.

Health Disability Resource Center

The proposed Health Disability Resource Center (HDRC) will include the following services: Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC); Equipment Resource, and Information Center (EPIC); and a continuum of care for I/DD individuals in crisis.

### Requests to the Administration and Legislature for Budget and Trailer Bill Language to Do the Following:

- Fund construction and/or improvements
- Conduct site assessments
- Allow use of existing SDC facilities
- Fund Community State Staffing Program
- Provide data on current SDC operations and costs
- Expedite enhanced rate approval
- Operational Hold harmless/Sustainability Reserve

### Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC)

As their primary care home, the FQHC will provide each I/DD client the full array of services, including primary and specialty care, dental services, behavioral health services, preventative care and other services. In addition, the FQHC will act as a training center through affiliations with residency programs and training of other providers on caring for the I/DD patients increasing capacity throughout Northern California. 

*Estimated construction costs: $5 million.*

- Continue funding resource center ($700k+)
- Fund Regional Center assessment and startup costs for information hub ($750k)
- Continue funding equipment repair ($750k)

### Equipment, Resource, and Information Center (ERIC)

To address the fragmented nature of care and the specialized needs of I/DD patients, the ERIC will include 1) an information center to coordinate and streamline services, 2) a resource center to provide life skills training and care management, and 3) durable medical equipment repair capacity.

*Estimated construction costs: $1.5 million.*

### Continuum of Care for Individuals in Crisis

To serve individuals unable to transition to a community care setting, the HRDC will include an expanded acute crisis center (ACC) and a place of last resort for individuals who have failed in the community setting.

*Estimated construction costs: ACC = $4 million, Place of Last Resort = $3.6 million*

- Fund ACC operating costs ($2.5M-$6M)
- Fund Place of Last Resort operations ($4M)
- Amend WIC 4418.7(h) to increase ACC patient maximum from 5 to 20.