

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2022**

MINUTE ORDER NO. 1

**SUBJECT: RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO LEAD CORRECTIONAL
HEALTHCARE WORKGROUP (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

The San Diego County Sheriff's Department (Sheriff's Department) is committed to providing the highest quality healthcare to individuals in our custody and, to that end, has created the San Diego Sheriff's Department Correctional Healthcare Assessment and Recommendation Workgroup (Correctional Healthcare Workgroup). This effort is led by the Sheriff and supported by the County of San Diego's Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA). The purpose of the Correctional Healthcare Workgroup is to improve the quality of correctional healthcare, broadly defined to include physical, mental, and behavioral health, by examining operational and clinical "best practices" throughout the country, and providing recommendations for implementation of those best practices to the Sheriff. The ultimate decision maker regarding implementation of changes within the county jail system will be the Sheriff.

Today's requested action is for the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) to receive the Sheriff's Department's notification of intent to lead the San Diego Sheriff's Department Correctional Healthcare Assessment and Recommendation Workgroup.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SHERIFF

Receive the Sheriff's Department's notification of intent to lead the San Diego Sheriff's Department Correctional Healthcare Assessment and Recommendation Workgroup.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Sheriff's Department prioritizes the health and safety of those in custody, which includes providing for quality medical and mental health care with access to the spectrum of services necessary for their well-being. The recommendations of the Correctional Healthcare Workgroup will enhance access to, diversity and quality of, services in a manner designed to improve outcomes and reduce health disparities. Exploration of a more equitable, coordinated, and person-centered approach to maximizing the health and life trajectory of incarcerated persons is ideal. The Correctional Healthcare Workgroup assessment will encompass National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) Accreditation standards, which were developed to improve the quality of health care in jails and enhance access, treatments, and outcomes to address health equity for incarcerated persons.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed action to investigate and evaluate additional measures to protect incarcerated persons and improve staffing contributes to the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goal to provide just and equitable access. Exploring best practices in correctional healthcare is intended to advance equity in treatment access and quality of care for incarcerated persons. An individual's incarceration status should not equate to a disadvantage or present obstacles to quality care.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with today's proposed action.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Fletcher, seconded by Supervisor Vargas, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Fletcher, Desmond

NOT PRESENT: Lawson-Remer

State of California)
County of San Diego) §

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



Signed
by Andrew Potter