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Tony Vartan, LCSW, Behavioral Health Director
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SUBJECT: Annual County Compliance Unit Report

Dear Director Vartan:

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) is responsible for monitoring compliance to requirements of the Substance Abuse Block Grant (SABG) and the terms of the Contract operated by San Joaquin County.

The County Compliance Unit (CCU) within the Audits and Investigations Division (A&I) of DHCS conducted a review of the County's compliance with contract requirements based on responses to the monitoring instrument, discussion with county staff, and supporting documentation provided by the County.

Enclosed are the results of San Joaquin County's State Fiscal Year 2019-20 SABG compliance review. The report identifies deficiencies, required corrective actions, advisory recommendations, and referrals for technical assistance.

San Joaquin County is required to submit a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) addressing each deficiency noted to the Community Services Division (CSD), Community Support Branch (CSB), Policy, Monitoring and Financing Section (PMFS) Analyst by 9/14/2020. Please use enclosed CAP plan form when completing the CAP. CAP and supporting documentation to be e-mailed to the PMFS analyst at SABGcompliance@dhcs.ca.gov.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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REVIEW SCOPE

- I. Regulations:
 - a. California Code of Regulations, Title 22, section 51341.1 – Drug Medi-Cal Substance Use Disorder Services
 - b. Code of Federal Regulations; Title 45, Part 96; Subpart L; section 96.121 through 96.137: Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant
 - c. United States Code, Title 42, Section 300x-21 through 300x-66: Block Grants regarding Mental Health and Substance Use
 - d. Health and Safety Code, Division 10.5, Section 11750 – 11970: Alcohol and Drug Programs

- II. Program Requirements:
 - a. State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2019-20 State County Contract, herein referred to as State County Contract
 - b. State of California *Youth Treatment Guidelines Revised August 2002*
 - c. DHCS *Perinatal Practice Guidelines FY 2018-19*
 - d. National Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS)
 - e. Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders Services (MHSUDS) Information Notices

SUMMARY OF SFY 2019-20 COMPLIANCE DEFICIENCIES (CD)

Section:	Number of CD's:
1.0 Administration	1
2.0 SABG Monitoring	1
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	0
9.0 Fiscal	0
10.0 Previous CAP	0

CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

Pursuant to the State County Contract, Exhibit A, Attachment I A2, Part I, Section 3, B, 5-8 each compliance deficiency (CD) 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.

Please provide the following within the completed SFY 2019-20 CAP.

- a) A statement of the CD.
- b) A list of action steps to be taken to correct the CD.
- c) A date of completion for each CD.
- d) The name of the person who will be responsible for corrections and ongoing compliance.

The PMFS analyst will monitor progress of the CAP completion.

1.0 ADMINISTRATION

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

COMPLIANCE DEFICIENCY:

CD 1.8:

SABG State-County Contract Exhibit A, Attachment I A2, Part II, S

S. Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 USC 1352)

Contractor certifies that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 USC 1352. Contractor shall also disclose to DHCS any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award.

SABG State-County Contract Exhibit A, Attachment I A2, Part II, Y

Y. Subcontract Provisions

Contractor shall include all of the foregoing Part II general provisions in all of its subcontracts.

Finding: The County did not demonstrate County and Subcontractor compliance with the Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment.

2.0 SABG MONITORING

The following deficiency in the SABG monitoring requirements was identified:

COMPLIANCE DEFICIENCY:

CD 2.12:

SABG State-County Contract Exhibit A, Attachment I A2, Part I, Section 3, A, 1, e

1. Contractor's performance under this Exhibit A, Attachment I, Part I, shall be monitored by DHCS during the term of this Contract.
 - 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 shall be sent by secure, encrypted email 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
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Finding: The County indicated a total of four (4) SABG monitoring reports were sent to DHCS for SFY 2018-19. The County did monitor four (4) of sixteen (16) County and sub-contracted providers for SABG programmatic and fiscal requirements. The County did submit three (3) of four (4) SABG programmatic and fiscal monitoring reports secure and encrypted. The County did submit four (4) or four (4) SABG programmatic and fiscal monitoring reports to DHCS within two weeks of report issuance.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

San Joaquin County did not request any technical assistance for SFY 2019-20.