



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Behavioral Wellness
Department No.: 043
For Agenda Of: May 17, 2016
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Alice A. Gleghorn, PhD, Director
Director(s) Behavioral Wellness, 681-5220
Contact Info: Dr. Ole Behrendtsen, Medical Director
Behavioral Wellness, 681-5220

SUBJECT: Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. FY 16-17

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

- A. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with **Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc.** (not a local vendor), for the provision of temporary nursing and medical coding services, for a total contract maximum amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

Summary Text:

The Santa Barbara County Department of Behavioral Wellness provides a continuum of mental health and substance use disorder services to Santa Barbara County residents, including psychiatric, nursing, and coding services at its County facilities. Behavioral Wellness uses temporary staffing agencies to provide locum tenens psychiatrists, physician assistants, nurses, and medical coders to backfill staffing shortages in budgeted positions, ensuring client access to care in a timely manner.

Approval of the recommended action will allow Behavioral Wellness to continue to provide mandated and greatly needed nursing and medical billing coding services in the Lompoc and Santa Maria areas without disruption to services.

Background:

Behavioral Wellness currently uses locum tenens temporary healthcare professionals to fill ongoing needs for psychiatric staff at outpatient facilities. Maxim Healthcare Services provides nurses and medical coders to backfill vacancies at the Psychiatric Health Facility, Behavioral Wellness clinics, and at other Behavioral Wellness programs as needed.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State	\$ 500,000.00		
Federal	\$ 500,000.00		
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative: The above referenced contract is funded by State and Federal funds. The funding sources are included in the FY 2016-2017 Proposed Budget.

Key Contract Risks:

With any contractor providing temporary staffing services, there is a risk that temporary personnel will make errors, engage in misconduct, or be negligent in performance of assigned duties. This contract allows Behavioral Wellness to terminate individual temporary staff for cause, and requires that the agency provide Professional Liability insurance to mitigate these risks.

Special Instructions:

Please send one (1) minute order and one (1) copy of the executed contract to admhscontractsstaff@co.santa-barbara.ca.us

Attachments:

Attachment A: Maxim Healthcare Services FY 16-17

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