



# County of Santa Barbara

## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

### Minute Order

June 23, 2026

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**Present:** 5 - Supervisor Lee, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino

BEHAVIORAL WELLNESS DEPARTMENT

File Reference No. 26-00524

**RE:** Consider recommendations regarding a Services Agreement with Mental Health Association in Santa Barbara County dba Mental Wellness Center for Mental Health, Intensive Residential, and Adult Housing Support Services for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-2027, as follows:

a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Mental Health Association in Santa Barbara County dba Mental Wellness Center (Mental Wellness Center) (a local vendor) for the provision of certain mental health, intensive residential program and adult housing support services for a total maximum contract amount not to exceed \$3,811,331.00, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027;

b) Delegate to the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness or designee the authority to (i) make immaterial changes to the Agreement as provided in Section 25 of the Agreement; (ii) authorize the Contractor to provide additional services per Section 4 of Exhibits A-4, A-5, A-6, A-7 and A-8 Mental Health Services (MHS) of the Agreement ; (iii) make changes to the staffing requirements per Section 14 per Exhibits A-4 - A-8; (iv) amend the program goals, outcomes, and measures per Section 15 of Exhibit A-4 - A-8 of the Agreement and per subsection 5.B.4 of Section III of Exhibit AA Alcohol Drug Program/MHS (ADP/MHS) General Provisions of the Agreement; (v) suspend, delay, or interrupt the services under the Agreement for convenience per subsection 1. F of Section I of Exhibit AA ADP/MHS of the Agreement; (vi) reallocate funds between funding sources per subsection D.1 of Section 1 of Exhibit B ADP/MHS of the Agreement ; (vii) incorporate new codes and make fee-for-service rate changes to Exhibits B-1 and B-3 per subsection B.2 of Section 3 of Exhibit B ADP/MHS General Financial Provisions of the Agreement; (viii) make rate changes to or otherwise update Exhibit B-1 and B-3 MHS for multi-year contracts annually per subsection B.3. of Section 3 of Exhibit B ADP/MHS General Financial Provisions of the Agreement; (ix) approve funding that cannot be moved between programs by Contractor and reserve the right to reallocate between programs in the year-end settlement per Section 6.A. of Exhibit B ADP/MHS General Financial Provisions of the Agreement; (x) withhold payment for non-submission of service data and other information per subsection 7.D. of Exhibit B ADP/MHS General Financial Provisions of the Agreement; (xi) deny or withhold payment for unsatisfactory clinical documentation per subsection 7.E. of Exhibit B ADP/MHS General Financial Provisions of the Agreement; may increase the rates up to 3.5% in



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FY 2027-28 as provided in Exhibit B-1 MHS of the Agreement; (xii) may increase the maximum daily rate by up to 3.5% per year in FY 2027-28 and FY 2028-29 as provided in Exhibit B-1 MHS of the Agreement; and (xiii) adjust the daily rate to accommodate members with acute needs as provided in Exhibit B-1 of the Agreement; all without altering the maximum contract amount and without requiring the Board of Supervisors' approval of an amendment of the Agreement, subject to the Board of Supervisors' ability to rescind this delegated authority at any time; and

c) Determine that the above-recommended actions are not a project that is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(4), finding that the actions are governmental funding mechanisms and/or fiscal activities that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

**A motion was made by Supervisor Hartmann, seconded by Supervisor Lee, that this matter be acted on as follows:**

- a) Approved and authorized; Chair to execute;
- b) Delegated; and
- c) Approved.

**The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 5 - Supervisor Lee, Supervisor Capps, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino