



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: September 21, 2021
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Pamela Fisher, Psy.D., Acting Director
Director(s) Department of Behavioral Wellness, (805) 681-5220
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SUBJECT: Behavioral Wellness Service Agreement - Campbellsville University, Inc. FY 21-25, Southern County Regional Partnership Graduate and Peer Support Specialist Stipend Programs

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with **Campbellsville University, Inc.**, a Kentucky nonprofit corporation (not a local vendor), to serve as the administrative and fiscal intermediary for the **Southern California Regional Partnership (SCRIP) Graduate and Peer Support Specialist Stipend Programs** for the provision of funding stipends for graduate clinical master and doctoral education students and Peer Support Specialists in training, for a Maximum Contract Amount not to exceed **\$3,369,500** inclusive of \$842,375 annually, for Fiscal Years 2021-2025 effective on the date executed by County through June 30, 2025;
- B. Delegate to the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness or designee the authority to suspend, delay, or interrupt the services under the Agreement for convenience, per Section 20 of the Agreement; make immaterial changes to the Agreement per Section 26 of the Agreement; change the number of awards per year without exceeding the overall maximum number of awards or reallocate funds between fiscal years if agreed upon in writing by Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD); and increase the maximum award amount per year without exceeding the overall contract maximum amount for the year, all without altering the Maximum Contract Amount and without requiring formal amendment of the Agreement, subject to the Board's ability to rescind this delegated authority at any time; and

- C. Determine that the above actions are government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities, which do not involve any commitment to any specific project that may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment and are therefore not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Summary Text:

The items are on the agenda to request the Board of Supervisors (Board) to approve and authorize the Chair to enter into an Agreement with Campbellsville University (Campbellsville) to serve as the administrative and fiscal intermediary to SCRP Graduate and Peer Support Specialist Stipend Programs for FY 2021-2025 for a Maximum Contract Amount not to exceed \$3,369,500 inclusive of \$842,375 for each fiscal year and to delegate to the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness (BWell) or designee the authority to suspend, delay, or interrupt the services under the Agreement for convenience, per Section 20 of the Agreement; make immaterial changes to the Agreement per Section 26 of the Agreement; change the number of awards per year without exceeding the overall maximum number of awards or reallocate funds between fiscal years if agreed upon in writing by Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD); and increase the maximum award amount per year without exceeding the overall contract maximum amount for the year, all without altering the Maximum Contract Amount and without requiring formal amendment of the Agreement, subject to the Board's ability to rescind this delegated authority at any time.

Background:

In November 2004, the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) passed, which levied a 1% tax on annual incomes over \$1.0 million to increase funding for mental health services. MHSA includes a requirement for each county mental health department to develop a local Workforce Education and Training Plan (WET); establish and participate in Regional Partnerships to promote and improve the local Public Mental Health System (PMHS) workforce, education, and training resources; and focus on projects and goals to meet the specific needs of the region. The SCRP consists of the PHMS of Santa Barbara, San Bernardino, Imperial, Kern, Orange, Riverside, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, and Ventura counties, as well as the Los Angeles County Tri-City region (Claremont, La Verne, and Pomona).

In December 2014, the Board approved and authorized BWell to serve as the fiscal and administrative agent for the SCRP and execute the initial MOU with the SCRP counties to implement WET. Then, BWell was nominated by the SCRP to continue as the fiscal and administrative agent for the SCRP through 2026 and be the fiscal and administrative agent for the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) grant through 2026. On January 12, 2021, the Board approved for BWell to both continue to serve as the fiscal and administrative agent for the SCRP and approved BWell, as the fiscal and administrative agent for SCRP, to accept the OSHPD Grant Agreement No. 20-10018. The OSHPD Agreement requires the implementation of one or more the programs identified in the SCRP grant application and provides the funding for the programs.

In May 2021, BWell conducted a Request for Proposal (RFP) to select a fiscal and administrative entity to implement the WET Plan framework, focusing on two components to support individuals' strategies: Pipeline development, which the Peer Support Specialist Stipend Program falls under, and the Clinical master and doctoral level graduate education stipend programs. The WET Plan strategies provide individuals with support throughout their career development pathway: as an undergraduate receiving a scholarship, in a clinical graduate program receiving a stipend, or as a Public Mental Health Systems (PMHS) professional receiving loan repayment assistance for education debt.

In July 2021, BWell announced a Notice of Intent to Award to Campbellsville University, selected through an RFP process to serve as administrator and fiscal intermediary for delivery of the Stipend Programs. Campbellsville has experience as the administrator and fiscal intermediary of the statewide stipend programs of the California State MHSA WET Plans from 2009 to 2021. Campbellsville will issue stipend checks to students selected to fulfill the workforce need of mental health clinicians in hard-to-hire communities and monitor those awarded a stipend to affirm that awardees fulfill their employment obligation upon graduation. BWell will enter into the agreement with Campbellsville for FY 21-25 to serve as the administrative and fiscal intermediary for SCRIP Stipend Programs, in accordance with the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) Agreement No. 20-10018. If there are remaining funds, BWell intends to seek approval from OSHPD to extend the program to FY 25-26.

Performance Measure:

1. Increase the number of diverse, competent licensed and non-licensed professionals in the PMHS to address the needs of persons with SMI.
2. Expand the capacity of California’s current public mental health workforce to meet California’s diverse and dynamic needs.
3. Facilitate a robust statewide, regional, and local infrastructure to develop the public mental health workforce.

The program will be measured by the percentage of recipients of whom the stipend program encouraged to consider employment in a public mental health agency and the percentage of those that completed the twelve-month employment obligation who plan on continuing public mental health practice after obtaining their professional license. Campbellsville will conduct post-graduate employment surveys of the stipend recipients at three and six months of graduation.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>FY 21-22 Cost:</u>	<u>FY 22-23 Cost:</u>	<u>FY 23-24 Cost:</u>	<u>FY 24-25 Cost:</u>	<u>Total Funds FY 20-24 Cost</u>
General Fund					
State - OSHPD Grant	\$ 842,375	\$ 842,375	\$ 842,375	\$ 842,375	\$ 3,369,500
State					\$ -
Federal					
Fees					
Other:					
Total	\$ 842,375	\$ 842,375	\$ 842,375	\$ 842,375	\$ 3,369,500

Narrative: The Stipend Programs, will be funded by the OSHPD Agreement No. 20-10018 grant, along with a fifteen percent administrative costs of a \$109,875 annually, which is allowed in the OSHPD grant, are included in the overall Maximum Contract Amount.

Key Contract Risks:

Funding for this contract comes from OSHPD funds. OSHPD's liability to pay Agreement funds is contingent on appropriation of funds in the Budget Act. Payments of Agreement funds are contingent on the satisfactory submission of the deliverables. OSHPD may withhold Agreement funds for subsequent years until the Scope of Work and deliverables are met. OSHPD may reduce the award of Agreement funds if 80% of the funds are not encumbered and/or spent by July 1, 2024. OSHPD may cancel or amend the Agreement if funds are not appropriated. To mitigate these risks the Agreement has language that allows BWell to suspend, delay, or interrupt the services under the Agreement for convenience or for cause.

Special Instructions:

Please return one (1) Minute Order and one (1) complete copy of the above Memorandum of Understanding and Participation Agreement to Denise Morales at dmorales@sbcbswell.org and to bwellcontractsstaff@sbcbswell.org.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Campbellsville University FY 21-25 BC

Authored by:

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