



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: July 2, 2019
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Alice Gleghorn, PhD, Director
Director(s) Department of Behavioral Wellness, 805-681-5220
Contact Info: Ole Behrendtsen, MD, Medical Director, 805-681-5220
SUBJECT: Behavioral Wellness Andra Dillard, R.N. FY 19-20 Contractor on Payroll (COP) Agreement

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement for Services of Contractor On Payroll with Andra Dillard, R.N., to provide "as needed" infectious disease prevention and control services for the period of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 in an amount not to exceed \$11,040; and
- B. Determine that the above actions are government fiscal activities or funding mechanisms which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in potentially physical impact on the environment, and are therefore not a project under the California Environmental Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA guidelines.

Summary Text:

The Department of Behavioral Wellness provides specialty mental health services to adults with mental illness at various locations throughout the County of Santa Barbara, such as the Behavioral Wellness Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF). The PHF is a 16-bed facility that provides 24-hour inpatient care to individuals requiring psychiatric hospitalization. The PHF is required by State and Federal regulations to conduct infection prevention activities including tracking of hospital acquired infections, risk assessments, and having a comprehensive infection control plan. Such infection prevention measures can only be conducted by an individual who is certified in the field of infection prevention and control. Approval of the above-mentioned contract will allow Behavioral Wellness to maintain compliance with State and Federal regulations with the onboarding of a certified Infection Prevention and Control Consultant.

Background:

Behavioral Wellness has experienced continuing difficulty recruiting and retaining individuals who are certified and licensed to provide specialty and ancillary mental health services to the area. Andra Dillard was hired in June 2018 as an Independent Contractor to act as an Infection Prevention and Control consultant for the Behavioral Wellness Psychiatric Facility following the departure of the previous Infection Prevention and Control consultant to maintain compliance with State and Federal regulations. In order to provide infection prevention and control consultant services, one must be certified in the field of infection prevention and control. Andra Dillard is board certified by the Certification Board of Infection Control and Epidemiology to provide infection prevention and control services. Andra has 10+ years of experience in infection prevention and, while acting as an Infection Prevention and Control consultant for the PHF as an Independent Contractor, Andra has successfully set up Behavioral Wellness's infection prevention and control program.

Behavioral Wellness is now in need of a certified Infection Prevention and Control consultant who can continue to monitor the program at the PHF. In March 2019, Andra accepted a FTE position with the Santa Barbara County Public Health Department (PHD) as a Supervising Public Health Nurse. As a result, Behavioral Wellness has attempted to recruit for a new Infection Prevention and Control consultant, but has been unable to fill the position due to the specialized nature of the infection prevention and control services. Subsequently, Andra has agreed to maintain her position as an Infection Prevention and Control consultant at Behavioral Wellness, working two (2) to three (3) hours per month as needed with PHD's approval. Approval of this contract will allow Behavioral Wellness to fill this specialized position and maintain compliance.

Andra Dillard, R.N.'s responsibilities with Behavioral Wellness will include: collecting, analyzing, and providing infection data and trends to nursing staff and health care practitioners; consulting on infection risk assessment, prevention, and control strategies; providing education and training; and implementing evidence-based infection control practices

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>FY 19-20 Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized</u> <u>On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time</u> <u>Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State	\$5,520.00		
Federal	\$5,520.00		
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$11,040.00	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative: The above referenced contracts are funded by a combination of State and Federal revenue. The funding sources have been included in the FY 19-20 Proposed Budget.

Special Instructions:

Please return one (1) Minute Order and one (1) complete copy of the contract for each of the above to cfoschaar@sbcbswell.org and Stefan Brewer, Position Control Division, Human Resources Department.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Andra Dillard, R.N., Agreement for Services of Contractor on Payroll FY 19-20

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