



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: June 4, 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) Behavioral Wellness, 681-5220
Contact Info: Pam Fisher, PsyD, Deputy Director of Clinical Operations
Behavioral Wellness, 681-5220
SUBJECT: Behavioral Wellness Mental Health – Casa Pacifica FY 18-19 First Amendment
and extension into FY 19-20

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 a First Amendment for Services of Independent Contractor with **Casa Pacifica Centers for Children and Families** (a local vendor), for the provision of mental health services and updating contract provisions for compliance with the state and federal regulations and other program updates, and extend the term of the Agreement into FY 19-20 with an increase of \$3,866,400 for a total contract maximum not to exceed **\$7,732,800** for the period of **July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020**; and
- B. Determine that the above actions are government fiscal activities that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment, pursuant to section 15378(b)(4) of the California Environmental Act (CEQA) guidelines.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda to amend and renew Casa Pacifica Centers for Children and Families’ (Casa Pacifica) contract for FYs 18-19 and 19-20. The Santa Barbara County Department of Behavioral Wellness (“BeWell”) provides a continuum of mental health services to Santa Barbara County residents, in part through contracted providers including Community-Based Organizations (CBOs), such as Casa Pacifica. Specialty mental health services are provided to Medi-Cal beneficiaries and other individuals to the extent resources allow. CBOs provide various specialty mental health services to adults, children and youth with serious emotional disturbances (SED). Approval of the recommended actions will allow

BeWell to make the required changes to the Agreement to deliver mandated services to youth and adolescents with mental illness, to add a needed service in the continuum of care for children with SED, and provide Behavioral Wellness with the ability to help children make a successful move to a lower level of care such as returning home after being in an Institute Mental Diseases through FY19-20.

Background:

Casa Pacifica provides mandated mental health services to Medi-Cal eligible children with Serious Mental Disorder (SED) Countywide, such as therapy, rehabilitation, residential treatment, shelter beds and ancillary services. They provide crisis services to children and families through the SAFTY program, intensive individual service through Therapeutic Behavioral Services (TBS), Wraparound Services to keep children in their homes, and group home placement in their Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP, formerly referred to as their Residential Treatment Center [RTC]).

We are amending the contract to add language to the provision of Board and Care services to meet the mental health services needs for children in need of residential treatment who are not in the County Probation or Department of Social Services system. In addition, we are increasing the staffing requirement for Wraparound and In Home Therapeutic program to meet staffing level adequacy. Due to a new Department of Health Care Services' Children's Mental Health Programs, trained clinicians are now required to complete Child and Adolescent Needs and Strength (CANS) and the child's parent/guardian must complete Pediatric Symptom Checklist (PSC). Due to the new requirements, we are adding new language to the Children's Mental Health program's Statement of Work and added new Performance Measures requirements.

Contract Renewals and Performance Outcomes:

For fiscal year 18-19 for Quarters 1 and 2, the average number of unique clients served, per quarter, by each program was: SAFTY 71, TBS 54, Wraparound 34, and STRTP 3. All four programs met their goals for purposeful activity of 90-100% of clients enrolled in school, employed or volunteering, for stable/permanent housing, with high rates (94-100%). All four programs have outcomes related to no or low incidence of inpatient psychiatric admissions. SAFTY (average 2.5%), TBS (average 0%), and Wraparound (average: 4.5%) met their goals. However, STRTP did not meet their goal. It should be noted that because the STRTP serves so few clients, one admission accounts for such a large percentage that it automatically means that they do not meet their goals. STRTP had one psychiatric admission each quarter.

Three programs have outcomes related to low rates of incarceration; all three met their goals. Two programs (SAFTY and STRTP) have the goal of few or no out-of-home placements. SAFTY had 0 out of home placements while STRTP had 2. One program (TBS) has a goal of transferring at least 90% of clients to a lower level of care. They met this goal; an average of 98% of their clients transferred to a lower level of care upon discharge.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>FY 18-19 Cost:</u>	<u>FY 19-20</u>
		<u>Cost</u>
General Fund		
State	\$ 389,134	\$ 389,134
Federal	\$ 3,477,266	\$ 3,477,266
Fees		
Other:		
Total	\$ 3,866,400	\$ 3,866,400
Total for FY 18-20		\$ 7,732,800

Narrative: The above reference changes to the contract does not increase the contract funding for the FY 18-19; services were already budgeted. However, the contract required updated language. The funds for FY 19-20 are included in the Proposed Budget contingent on Board approval.

Key Contract Risks:

As with any contract funded by State and Federal sources, there is a risk of future audit disallowances and repayments. Behavioral Wellness contracts include language requiring contractors to repay any amounts disallowed in audit findings, minimizing financial risks to the County.

Special Instructions:

Please email one (1) complete executed contract and one (1) minute order to Dense Morales at: dmorales@co.santa-barbara.ca.us and to bwellcontractsstaff@co.santa-barbara.ca.us.

Attachments:

- Attachment A: Casa Pacifica FY 18-20 BC AM1
- Attachment B: Casa Pacifica FY 18-19 BC

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