



County of Santa Barbara

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Minute Order

February 25, 2025

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

BEHAVIORAL WELLNESS DEPARTMENT

File Reference No. 25-00116

RE: Consider recommendations regarding Transitions-Mental Health Association (TMHA) First Amendment to the Fiscal Years (FYs) 2024-2026 Services Agreement for Mental Health and Other Supportive Services, as follows:

a) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute a First Amendment to the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with TMHA (not a local vendor) (BC No. 24-020) to add Medi-Cal Patient Revenue funding to the Wellness Centers and Family Advocate programs, and adjust staffing slightly to better align with need, including the addition of Peer Specialists as appropriate; adjust staffing and staffing ratios at the North Community Full Service Partnership to better align with need, including the addition of clinicians and case workers with lived experience, including Peer Specialists as appropriate; update staffing requirements for Vocational Rehabilitation to align with California Department of Rehabilitation requirements; reduce staffing of the Growing Grounds program to better align with need; and add \$572,474.00 in behavioral health funding for FYs 2024-2026 for a revised, total maximum contract amount not to exceed \$6,001,644.00, inclusive of \$3,000,822.00 in FY 2024-2025 and \$3,000,822.00 in FY 2025-2026, for the period of July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2026;

b) Delegate to the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness or designee the authority to change program location and staffing requirements per Exhibit A-3; change staffing requirements and operational hours per Exhibit A-5; change staffing requirements per Exhibit A-7; change program location and staffing requirements per Exhibit A-8; make rate changes to or otherwise update Exhibit B-3 MHS for multi-year contracts annually per Exhibit B; 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.



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Jill Bolster White addressed the Board.

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

- a) Approved, ratified 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