

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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TO: Board of Supervisors

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SUBJECT: Casa Pacifica and Community Action Commission Headstart contracts.

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve and execute a contract amendment in the amount of \$1,704,100, to allow Casa Pacifica, (a local provider), to continue to provide residential, case management and Therapeutic Behavioral and other services to children with severe emotional disturbances in Santa Barbara County. The new contract term is from July 1, 2004, through June 30, 2006. The contract amount will be \$3,358,450.
2. Approve and execute a contract amendment in the amount of \$556,000, to allow Community Action Commission (a local provider), to continue providing mental health services to children with severe emotional disturbances in Santa Barbara County. The new contract term is from July 1, 2004, through June 30, 2006. The contract amount will be \$935,500.
3. Authorize the Director of ADMHS to approve amendments to the proposed contract, provided that any such amendments do not exceed ten percent (10%) of the contract's dollar amount.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with Goal No. 2. A Safe and Healthy Community in Which to Live, Work and Visit.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

Casa Pacifica provides day rehabilitation, crisis intervention, case management, medication support, mental health services, and Therapeutic Behavioral Services (TBS) to MediCal eligible children who are receiving other mental health services and are at-risk of being moved out of the community into institutional care. TBS is a relatively new mandated entitlement Medi-Cal service. It is designed to keep seriously disturbed and acting-out children in the community to receive intensive “shadowing” services that enables children and families to stay together, thus reducing the need for high cost out-of-county residential care.

Day rehabilitation, crisis intervention, case management, TBS and mental health service activities may include, but are not limited to, assessment, plan development, therapy, rehabilitation and collateral activities. Medication support services include but are not limited to evaluation of the need for medication, evaluation of clinical effectiveness and side effects, the obtaining of informed consent, medication education and plan development related to the delivery of the service and/or assessment of the beneficiary.

Casa Pacifica also provides residential treatment to children who are in need of intensive, out of home, therapeutic, and related services. In FY 2004-05, Casa Pacifica served a total of 130 clients, providing more than 786,000 minutes of service.

Community Action Commission (CAC) operates the Lompoc, Santa Maria and Santa Barbara Head Start programs. The Head Start programs offer quality early care and education for children ages 0-5 years of age and pregnant women. Total family involvement is sought using parent groups, volunteerism, social services, case management, health screening, and mental health services, all provided in a culturally sensitive environment. Part day, full day and year-round child care options are available at the various centers. CAC offers a warm and nurturing environment that helps the eligible children attain school readiness. All classes welcome children with disabilities.

CAC also runs the Guadalupe Healthy Start program which serves children and families in the Mary Buren Elementary School and McKenzie Jr. High School. CAC provides bilingual staff and case management services involving parents as active partners within a one-stop resource center in the community. In Guadalupe, CAC works with more than 20 collaborative partnerships related to health and human services, county government, and local non-profit organizations.

The Head Start and Healthy Start Programs provide early childhood family and individual counseling to 142 eligible clients and their families per year. These programs provided more than 425,211 minutes of Medi-Cal eligible services to clients focusing mostly on Family related individual and group therapy sessions.

CAC Performance Measures:

CAC Head/Healthy Start and Casa Pacifica contract amendments will assist ADMHS in meeting **Recurring Performance Measure (RPM) 214**, to provide effective mental health services to 2450 youth and their families.

CAC Head/Healthy Start and Casa Pacifica contract amendments will also assist ADMHS in meeting **Recurring Performance Measure (RPM) 0198**, to provide high quality Mental Health services to children in order to keep the number of new out of home placements below 100 per year.

Mandates and Service Levels:

Mental Health Services are mandated by the Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 5600.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

The recommended action has no impact on the General Fund Contribution. The funding source for the Casa Pacifica and CAC contract is from Medi-Cal/EPSTD revenues reimbursed to the county. These funding sources are identified in the Proposed FY 2005-06, Budget page D-156, (line item 7460, in the Children's Services Division), Federal and State Revenues.

These actions will not result in a need for any additional facilities.

Special Instructions:

Please send one (1) fully executed copy of each contract amendment and endorsed minute order to:

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