



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 16, 2020
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 Centers for Children and Families Board Contract Renewal FY 20-21

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 an Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with **Casa Pacifica Centers for Children and Families** (a local vendor), for the provision of mental health services for a total contract maximum not to exceed **\$3,733,298** for the period of **July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021**;
- B. Delegate to the Director of Behavioral Wellness, or designee, the authority to make immaterial changes to the agreement; reallocate funds between funding sources or programs or revise or waive the County Maximum Allowable rate without altering the Maximum Contract Amount; amend the program goals, outcomes, and measures in Exhibit E, all without requiring a formal amendment to 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 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 Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda to renew Casa Pacifica Centers for Children and Families' (Casa Pacifica) contract for FY 20-21. The Santa Barbara County Department of Behavioral Wellness (BWell) provides a continuum of mental health services to Santa Barbara County residents, in part through contracted

providers including Community-Based Organizations (CBOs). CBOs provide various specialty mental health services to adults with Serious Mental Illness (SMI) and children and youth with Serious Emotional Disturbances (SED). Approval of the recommended actions will allow BWell to continue to deliver mandated services to children and youth with SED.

Background:

Casa Pacifica Centers for Children and Families (Casa Pacifica) provides mandated mental health services to Medi-Cal eligible children with 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 (Wraparound), and group home placement in their Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP), formerly referred to as their Residential Treatment Center (RTC). Approval of this item will allow BWell to continue to provide mandated mental health services.

Performance Outcomes:

In the first two quarters of FY 2019-20, all goals for the SAFTY program were met.

For TBS, client psychiatric inpatient admissions was slightly higher than the goal of 5% (at 6% 2nd quarter). For WRAPAROUND SERVICES, incarcerations were higher than the goal of 5% (12.5% & 11.8% respectively). Inpatient admissions were slightly high 1st quarter, but were reduced by more than half during the 2nd quarter. Those discharged & transitioning to a higher level of care were elevated 1st quarter, but was dramatically improved during the 2nd quarter, but still higher than expected at 25% from 42% the 1st quarter. The new, out of primary home placements was higher than the goal of 5% or less during each quarter, but much improved during the 2nd quarter, reduced to 8.8% the 2nd quarter from the 28.88% seen in the 1st quarter. For STRTP – no clients seen either quarter.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>FY 20-21 Cost:</u>	
General Fund		
State	\$	1,866,649
Federal	\$	1,866,649
Fees		
Other:		
Total	\$	3,733,298

Narrative: The above-reference contracts are funded by State and Federal funds. The funding sources are included in the FY 20-21 Proposed Budget.

Key Contract Risks:

As with any contract funded by State and Federal sources, there is a risk of future audit disallowances and repayments. The agreement includes language requiring contractor 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 Amber Foschaar at: cfoschaar@sbcbswell.org and to bwelcontractsstaff@co.santa-barbara.ca.us.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Casa Pacifica, Inc. FY 20-21 Board Contract

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