



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: November 19, 2019
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Dr. Alice Gleghorn, Ph. D., Director
Director(s) Department of Behavioral Wellness - 681-5220
Contact Info: Pam Fisher, Deputy Director, Chief of Clinical Operations
Department of Behavioral Wellness - 681-5220
SUBJECT: Behavioral Wellness - State Department of Health Care Services Mental Health
Performance Contract FY 18-21

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: NA

Other Concurrence:

As to Form: NA

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve, ratify and authorize the Director of Behavioral Wellness to execute a \$0 Performance Contract and Contractor Certification contained therein with the **California State Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)** for receipt of funds from the Mental Health Services Act, Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness, the Community Mental Health Services Grant, and realignment and for compliance with California state laws for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021.
- 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 Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines.

Summary Text:

Every year DHCS issues a Performance Contract with County Department of Behavioral Wellness (BeWell) that outlines the conditions and requirements for receipt of funds through the following state funding sources: the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) and Community Mental Health Services Grant (MHBG) and realignment funds for providing community mental health services ("Performance Contract"). This is being brought to the Board of Supervisors for approval of the recommended action authorizing the BeWell Director to execute

the Performance Contract and Contractor Certification agreeing to abide by the terms and conditions contained therein to allow BeWell to continue to receive mental health funding through these state funding sources for FY 18-21.

Background:

This State Performance Contract provides the terms and conditions for reimbursement of mental health services funded by MHSA, PATH and MHBG. The requirements for the Performance Contract are outlined in Welfare and Institutions Code sections 5650(a), 5651, 5666, 5897, and Title 9, California Code of Regulations (CCR), section 3310. In addition, it outlines Data Information and Submission Requirements, Information Confidentiality and Security Requirements and Information Exchange Agreement between Social Security Administration and DHCS. The Performance Contract also contains a Contractor Certification wherein the County certifies it has complied with various state and federal laws, including but not limited to nondiscrimination, drug-free workplace requirements, American with Disabilities Act, conflicts of interest, etc. Behavioral Wellness received the Performance Contract from DHCS on September 17, 2019. The Agreement will be effective retroactively from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021.

BeWell must meet certain conditions and requirements, detailed in this Performance Contract, to receive funding for these programs and community mental health services. The Performance Contract does not cover federal financial participation or State general funds as they relate to Medi-Cal services provided through the Mental Health Plan contract.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts: NA

Fiscal Analysis:

Budgeted: NA

Narrative: This is a \$0 agreement between Santa Barbara County Department of Behavioral Wellness and the State Department of Health Care Services. Anticipated funds available to the County by executing the Performance Contract are currently budgeted in BeWell's FY19-20 budget.

Key Contract Risks:

The Performance Contract imposes procedural and reporting requirements that Be Well currently implements, but which may be subject to future audit. Failure to fully comply with the reporting requirements detailed in the Performance Contract could result in the State withholding funding. Additionally, the Performance Contract is contingent on the appropriation of funds from the State. If funding for any fiscal year is reduced or deleted by the State, the County is not obligated to perform the provisions of the contract or the contract may be amended.

Special Instructions:

Please return one (1) Minute Order to Denise Morales at dmorales@co.santa-barbara.ca.us and one (1) signature page and (1) Minute Order to BWell Contracts Division at bwellcontractsstaff@co.santa-barbara.ca.us.

Attachments:

Attachment A: State Performance Agreement FY 18-21 #18-95274

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