



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: July 25, 2017
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Alice Gleghorn, Ph.D., Director
Director(s) Department of Behavioral Wellness 681-5220
Contact Info: Pam Fisher, Deputy Director of Clinical Operations
Department of Behavioral Wellness 681-5220
SUBJECT: Southern Counties Regional Partnership (SCRP) Workforce Education and Training (WET) FY 17-18 - Events Enterprises, Inc.

County Counsel 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 **Events Enterprises, Inc.** (not a local vendor), for planning and overall event coordination of the *Difficult to Engage, Difficult to Reach Populations* FY 17-18 conference for the Southern Counties Regional Partnership (SCRP) Workforce Education and Training (WET) program, for a total contract maximum not to exceed **\$150,000** through June 30, 2018.
- B. Determine that the above actions are organizational or administrative activity of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment, pursuant to section 15378(b)(5) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines.

Summary Text:

The SCRCP consists of the mental health departments for the counties of Santa Barbara, San Bernardino, Imperial, Kern, Orange, Riverside, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, and Ventura, as well as the Tri-City region (Claremont, La Verne, and Pomona).

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

On December 2, 2014, the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors authorized and approved Behavioral Wellness' agreement with the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHDP) to be the fiscal and administrative agent for SCRP activities for the period of December 2, 2014 through September 30, 2017 in the amount of \$4,047,349. The funds are to implement the Five-Year Plan goals established by OSHDP for FY 2014-2019. Although Behavioral Wellness has received full payment of the SCRP funds, as of June 2017 there remains \$2.6 million of available funds for expenditure for implementation of the SCRP's Five-Year Plan. In March 2017 the SCRP members agreed to continue the partnership with Behavioral Wellness as the Fiscal and Administrative agent for SCRP beyond September 2017 until all of the funds have been utilized to achieve the goals. The SCRP Memorandum of Understanding will automatically renew on an annual basis, starting October 1, 2017, subject to funding or termination for convenience by members.

Approval of the recommended actions will allow Behavioral Wellness, as the fiscal and administrative agent for the SCRP, to contract for mental health workforce education and training presented at SCRP's annual conference as approved by the SCRP members, to carry out the intent of the WET/SCRP Agreement, with funds provided by OSHDP.

Background:

The Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) requires each county mental health department to develop a local Workforce Education and Training (WET) Plan, and to participate in regional partnerships among the mental health system and the educational system to expand outreach to multicultural communities, increase the diversity of the mental health workforce, reduce the stigma associated with mental illness, and to promote the use of web-based technologies, and distance learning techniques. Five Regional Partnerships have been formed under WET throughout the State.

As the fiscal and administrative agent for the SCRP through June 30, 2019, Behavioral Wellness is responsible for negotiating and monitoring contracts and projects during that period that achieve the Five-Year Plan goals established by OSHDP for 2014-2019:

- **Goal #1:** Increase the number of diverse, qualified individuals in the public mental health system workforce to remedy the shortage of qualified individuals to provide services to address severe mental illness.
- **Goal #2:** Expand the capacity of California's incumbent public mental health workforce to meet California diverse and dynamic needs.
- **Goal #3:** Facilitate a robust statewide, regional, and local infrastructure to develop the public mental health workforce.

Events - The desired outcome of the SCRP conference, *Difficult to Engage, Difficult to Reach Populations*, is increased excellence in the quality of care provided to individuals, family members and stakeholders served by the member-agencies that comprise SCRP. The conference was approved by a majority of the SCRP members at the April 2017 SCRP coordinators meeting. Approval by the Board of Supervisors will allow Behavioral Wellness to enter an agreement to develop and implement mental healthcare workforce development strategies that align with the WET Five-Year Plan 2014-2019 goals.

Performance Measure:

Events successfully meet all of the goals for conference planning outlined in their FY 16-17 SCRCP contract.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>FY 17-18 Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State	\$150,000		
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative: Behavioral Wellness has received from OSHPD all \$4,047,349 to administer and implement the SCRCP’s Five-Year Plan goals established by OSHPD for 2014-2019. This contract will utilize \$150,000 of the remaining designated funds of \$2,600,000 set aside for SCRCP regional programs to achieve the Five-Year Plan goals, and the expenditure for these services has been approved by the member counties. The funds have been budgeted and approved by the Board of Supervisors for FY 17-18.

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 County.

Special Instructions:

Please email one (1) complete copy of the executed contract and one (1) minute order to Denise Morales: dmorales@co.santa-barbara.ca.us

Attachments:

- Attachment A: Events FY 17-18 SCRCP BC
- Attachment B: SCRCP MOU FY 14-17

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