



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: May 31, 2022
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Antonette Navarro, LMFT, Director
Director(s) Behavioral Wellness, (805) 681-5220
Contact Info: John Winckler, Division Chief of Clinical Operations Wellness,
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SUBJECT: Behavioral Wellness Mental Health Contract Renewal: PathPoint for Fiscal
Year (FY) 2022-2025

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute a multiyear Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with **PathPoint** (a local vendor) for the provision of mental health and residential supported housing services, for a maximum contract amount not to exceed **\$7,697,685** with an annual amount of \$2,565,895 for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025 (Attachment A);
- B. Delegate to the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness or designee the authority to suspend, delay, or interrupt the services under the Agreement for convenience per Section 20 of the Agreement, make immaterial changes to the Agreement per Section 26 of the Agreement; authorize additional services per Exhibits A-2, A-3, and A-4 of the Agreement, approve of alternative hours of operation and coverage per Exhibit A-4 of the Agreement; approve of Medi-Cal subsidy reallocation per Exhibit B of the Agreement; approve reallocate funds between funding sources or programs with discretion per Exhibit B of the Agreement; adjust the provisional rate with discretion per Exhibit B of the Agreement, and amend the goals, measures and outcomes in Exhibit E, all without altering the Maximum Contract Amount and without requiring the Board's approval of an amendment to the Agreement, subject to the Boards ability to rescind this delegated authority at any time; and

- C. Determine that the above actions are government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities, which do not involve any commitment to any specific project that may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment and are therefore not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Summary Text:

This item is on the Agenda to request the Board of Supervisors (Board) to approve and authorize the Chair to execute a multiyear Agreement with PathPoint for the provision of mental health and residential supported housing services, for a maximum contract amount not to exceed **\$7,697,685** with an annual amount of \$2,565,895 for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025. In addition, Behavioral Wellness (BWell) requests to delegate to the Director or designee the authority to suspend, delay, or interrupt the services under the Agreement for convenience per Section 20 of the Agreement, make immaterial changes to the Agreement per Section 26 of the Agreement; authorize additional services per Exhibits A-2, A-3, and A-4 of the Agreement, approve of alternative hours of operation and coverage per Exhibit A-4 of the Agreement; approve of Medi-Cal subsidy reallocation per Exhibit B of the Agreement; reallocate funds between funding sources or programs with discretion per Exhibit B of the Agreement; adjust the provisional rate with discretion per Exhibit B of the Agreement, and amend the goals, measures and outcomes in Exhibit E, all without altering the Maximum Contract Amount and without requiring the Board's approval of an amendment to the Agreement, subject to the Boards ability to rescind this delegated authority at any time.

Background:

BWell provides specialty mental health services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries and other individuals to the extent resources allow, in part, through contracted services. PathPoint provides various specialty mental health services to adults with serious mental illness pursuant to County's obligation under the Mental Health Plan Agreement and the Mental Health Services Act.

PathPoint provides mental health case management services through their Residential Support Services for residents of the El Carrillo, Artisan Court, and Bradley Studios apartments, located in Santa Barbara. In addition, PathPoint's Supportive Community Services provides treatment and rehabilitative and supportive services to clients with serious mental illness. It helps individuals obtain and keep community housing in independent living arrangements. PathPoint also operates two intensive residential programs, Mountain House and Phoenix House.

Performance Measure:

Program goals are:

1. Reduce mental health and substance abuse symptoms resulting in reduced utilization of involuntary care and emergency rooms for mental health and physical health problems; and
2. Assist clients in their mental health recovery process and provide support with developing the skills necessary to lead independent, healthy, and productive lives in the community.

Performance measures are:

1. Reduce psychiatric inpatient admissions to 5% or lower;
2. Reduce physical health emergency care to 10% or lower (5% or lower for Residential Support Services (RSS));
3. Reduce physical health hospitalizations to 10% or lower (5% or lower for RSS);
4. Reduce incarcerations to 5% or lower;

5. Clients with stable/permanent housing will be at 95% or higher (90% for Supportive Community Services South (SCSS));
6. Clients engaged in purposeful activities will be 40% or higher;
7. Clients discharged to a lower level of care will be at 85% or higher;
8. Clients discharged to a higher level of care will be at 15% or lower;
9. The percentage of clients showing improvement on the MORS will be at 20% or higher (SCSS).

Contract Renewals and Performance Outcomes: During the first three quarters of FY 21-22, PathPoint accomplished the following:

- a. **Phoenix House:** PathPoint met all goals (short of just 1% on emergency care for physical health). It served an average of 12 clients per quarter with no discharges. One client (or 3%) received acute psychiatric inpatient care; 11% received emergency care for physical health; and 3% received inpatient physical health treatment. There were no incarcerations; 100% had stable/permanent housing; and 78% were engaged in a purposeful activity.
- b. **Mountain House:** PathPoint met all goals. It served an average of 14 clients per quarter with 2 discharges. No client received acute psychiatric inpatient care; 4% received emergency care for physical health; and no clients received inpatient physical health treatment. There were no incarcerations; all clients had stable/permanent housing; and 56% engaged in purposeful activities. Out of the 2 discharges, both were to a lower level of care.
- c. **Community Supportive Services:** PathPoint met 5 of their 9 goals. It served an average of 116 clients per quarter and had 8 discharges. An average of 3% received acute psychiatric inpatient care; 15% received emergency care for physical health; 4% received inpatient physical health treatment; 1% were incarcerated; 92% had stable/permanent housing; 65% engaged in purposeful activities; 50% were discharged to a lower level of care; 25% were discharged to a higher level of care; and 25% were discharged to same level of care. MORS were not reported on.
- d. **Residential Supportive Services:** PathPoint met 5 of their 8 goals. It served an average of 22 clients per quarter with 7 discharges. An average of 5% received acute psychiatric inpatient care; 12% received emergency care for physical health; and 12% received inpatient physical health treatment. There were no incarcerations; all clients had stable/permanent housing; 24% engaged in purposeful activities; and all clients discharged were discharged to a lower level of care.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>FY 22-23</u>	<u>FY 23-24</u>	<u>FY 24-25</u>	<u>TOTAL FY 22-25</u>
General Fund				
State	\$ 1,282,947.50	\$ 1,282,947.50	\$ 1,282,947.50	\$ 3,848,842.50
Federal	\$ 1,282,947.50	\$ 1,282,947.50	\$ 1,282,947.50	\$ 3,848,842.50
Fees				
Other:				
Total	\$ 2,565,895.00	\$ 2,565,895.00	\$ 2,565,895.00	\$ 7,697,685.00

Narrative: The above-referenced contract is funded by State and Federal funds. The funding sources were included in the FY 2022-2023 Proposed Budget. The funding sources for FY 2023-2024 and FY 2024-2025 will be included in the Proposed Budgets for FY 2023-2024 and FY 2024-2025, and funding is contingent upon Board approval.

Key Contract Risks:

As with any contract funded by State and Federal sources, there is a risk of future audit disallowances and repayments through the State's auditing process. This contract includes language requiring contractor to repay any amounts disallowed in audit findings, minimizing financial risks to County.

Special Instructions:

Please return one (1) Minute Order and one (1) complete copy of the above contract to dmorales@sbcbswell.org and the BWell Contracts Division at bwellcontractsstaff@sbcbswell.org.

Attachments:

Attachment A: PathPoint FY 22-25 BC

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