



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: August 18, 2020
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) Behavioral Wellness, 681-5220
Contact Info: Pamela Fisher, PsyD, Deputy Director of Clinical Operations
SUBJECT: Behavioral Wellness - Community Action Commission FY 19-22 First Amendment

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, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute a First Amendment to the Agreement, referenced as BC 19-250, for Services of Independent Contractor with **Community Action Commission of Santa Barbara County (CAC)** (a local vendor) to delete, add, or otherwise modify the language of the Agreement in Exhibits A-1 MHS General Provisions, A-2 Statement of Work: MHS Head Start, A-3 Statement of Work: MHS New Heights Full Service Partnership, and B Financial Provisions MHS to accommodate changes in service needs and to comply with county, state, and federal requirements with no change to the Maximum Contract Amount of \$3,535,635 for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022, inclusive of \$1,178,545 per fiscal year, and to incorporate the terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement approved by the Board of Supervisors on June 18, 2019;
- B. Approve and authorize the Chair to delegate to the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness (BeWell), or designee, the authority to make immaterial changes to the Agreement, amend staffing requirements of the Agreement, and reallocate funds between funding sources during the term of the Agreement as long as there is no change to the Maximum Contract Amount, all without needing to return to the Board for a formal amendment to the Agreement and subject to the Board's authority 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 to the environment, pursuant to section 15378(b)(4) of the California Environmental Act (CEQA) guidelines.

Summary Text:

This item is on the Agenda to request authorization to amend the Agreement with CAC to delete, add, or otherwise modify the language of the Agreement in Exhibits A-1 MHS General Provisions, A-2 Statement of Work: MHS Head Start, A-3 Statement of Work: MHS New Heights Full Service Partnership (FSP), and B Financial Provisions MHS to accommodate changes in service needs and to comply with county, state, and federal requirements with no change to the Maximum Contract Amount of \$3,535,635 for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022, inclusive of \$1,178,545 per fiscal year, and to incorporate the terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement approved by the Board of Supervisors on June 18, 2019, referenced as BC 19-250.

This item is also on the Agenda to request authority for the Director of BeWell or her designee to make immaterial changes to the Agreement, amend the staffing requirements of the Agreement, and reallocate funds between funding sources during the term of the agreement as long as there is no change to the Maximum Contract Amount, all without needing to return to the Board for a formal amendment to the Agreement and subject to the Board's authority to rescind this delegated authority at any time.

Approval of the recommended actions will allow BeWell to accommodate changes in service needs and to comply with county, state, and federal requirements in order to meet the needs of mental health clients.

Background:

CAC provides mental health services to Medi-Cal eligible children with Serious Emotional Disorders (SEDs) at three regional Children's Clinics Countywide. CAC rehabilitation specialists provide flexible, intensive, and individualized behavioral interventions designed to assist youth with developing interpersonal and social skills, managing negative behaviors, and succeeding in their home, school, and community. In addition, this contract provides Medi-Cal funding for specialty mental health services for children up to age five through Head Start programs located in Lompoc, Santa Maria, and Santa Barbara.

Adding Crisis Intervention Services to Exhibit A-2 Head Start and Exhibit A-3 New Heights FSP of the First Amended Agreement will allow CAC to serve clients when the clients' condition requires a timelier response than a regularly scheduled visit. Additionally, the First Amended Agreement updates language for client referrals and staffing allocations in Exhibit A-3 New Heights FSP due to changing practices to meet the needs of clients.

Performance Outcomes:

CAC provides case workers who work in partnership with the BeWell FSP team to serve Transitional Age Youth (TAY). In July 2019, CAC's TAY FSP Case Workers have served 69 youth. CAC also provides specialty mental health services for children five or younger through Head Start programs located throughout the county. In Q1 of FY 19/20, they served 86 clients. CAC performed well in terms of achieving contractual goals.

1. **Out-Of-Home Placements:** Our goal is to minimize home placement disruptions for clients (<5%). Both programs achieved this goal.
2. **Purposeful Activity:** Our goal is to have clients engage in meaningful activities (working, in-school/training, or volunteering; >95%). Head Start achieved this goal in Q1 of 19/20, while TAY caseworkers did not achieve this goal (32%) due to turnover in staff. In order to address this variance, they offered employment to a new case manager, appointed an Acting Clinical Director, ran productivity reports for current staff, and informed them of the productivity targets/goals.
3. **Stable and Permanent Housing:** Our goal is for clients to maintain stable/permanent housing (>95%). Both programs achieved this goal.

4. **Discharge to lower level of care:** Our goal is for 85% or more of clients who discharge to step down to a lower level of care or no longer need services. Both programs met this goal.
5. **Discharge to a higher level of care:** Our goal is for 15% or fewer clients who discharge to transition to a higher level of care. Both programs met this goal.
6. **Inpatient hospitalizations and incarceration:** Our goal for TAY FSP clients is to minimize adverse life events, such as inpatient admissions (<5%) and incarcerations/juvenile hall stays (<5%) (not a goal of Head Start). In Q1 of FY 19/20, 7.2% of TAY clients served by CAC case workers experienced inpatient hospitalization. The incarceration goal was met.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	FY 19-22	FY 20-21	FY 21-22	TOTAL FY 19-22
General Fund				
State	\$ 589,272.50	\$ 589,272.50	\$ 589,272.50	
Federal	\$ 589,272.50	\$ 589,272.50	\$ 589,272.50	
Fees				
Other:				
Total	\$ 1,178,545.00	\$ 1,178,545.00	\$ 1,178,545.00	\$ 3,535,635.00

Narrative: These amendments have no impact on the budget. The above referenced contract is funded by State and Federal funds. The funding sources were in the FY 2019-2020 Approved Budget. The funding sources will be included in the FY 2020-2021 and FY 2021-2022 Proposed Budgets for 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 email one (1) signature page and (1) Minute Order to Denise Morales at dmorales@co.santa-barbara.ca.us and one (1) signature page and (1) Minute Order to BeWell Contracts Division at bwellcontractsstaff@co.santa-barbara.ca.us.

Attachments:

- Attachment A: CAC FY 19-22 BC 19-250 AM 1
- Attachment B: CAC FY 19-22 BC 19-250

Authored by:

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