

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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Agenda Number:
Prepared on: 8/5/03
Department Name: Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health
Department No.: 043
Agenda Date: 8/19/03
Placement: Administrative
Estimate Time:
Continued Item: NO
If Yes, date from:

TO: Board of Supervisors

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Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services

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SUBJECT: Santa Barbara County Education Office Contract for FY 02-03

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve and execute a contract in the amount of \$328,000 to allow Santa Barbara County Education Office (SBCEO), to provide mental health and vocational services to Medi-Cal eligible clients of Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Services (ADMHS), a member for the Early Childhood Mental Health Collaborative.
- B. Authorize the Director of ADMHS to approve amendments to the proposed contract, providing that any such amendments do not exceed ten percent (10%) of the contract's dollar amount.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with Goal No. 2. A Safe and Healthy Community in Which to Live, Work and Visit.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

In August 2002 ADMHS assisted in organizing an Early Childhood Mental Health Collaborative of several community-based organizations, local education agencies, and other County departments to provide coordinated services for an early childhood mental health system of care. During the previous two years, the Children and Families Commission had funded several programs that support the healthy emotional development of young children, but recognized a need to maximize local resources to improve and enlarge the system of providing services. The collaboration, called The Early Childhood Mental Health Collaborative, has identified ways in which Medi-Cal funds and Healthy Families resources can be leveraged

to provide the necessary services to improve the future of children ages prenatal to five. This contract has been developed between ADMHS and SBCEO as part of that collaboration. ADMHS has certified SBCEO as a Medi-Cal provider able to provide assessment and therapeutic services to children who exhibit severe behavioral symptoms in pre-school classes. These will be children who have been identified by school personnel and referred to this program. The services provided will include on-site consultation with school personnel, in-home parent consultation, parent training, and social skills training. Also, SBCEO will be consulting with classroom teachers and staff to provide suggestions for intervention techniques. ADMHS will monitor the clients and program to ensure that all services are consistent with the vision, guiding principles and priorities of the collaborative, and adhere to Medi-Cal requirements.

Mandates and Service Levels:

Mental Health Services are mandated by the Welfare and Institutions Code, Section 5600 and CCR Title 9 Chapter 11.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

There is no facilities impact. These services will be reimbursed by Medi-Cal. There is a newly enacted 10% match required for the State-funded Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) half of the Medi-Cal revenue. Your Board has previously committed \$263,757 of FY 03-04 General Fund money to cover the required 10% match on new services, and this contract may use up to \$16,354 of those funds.

The maximum value for this contract is \$ 328,000, of which \$164,000 will be reimbursed by Federal Financial Participation (FFP) funds, \$147,600 by EPSDT funds, and \$16,400 by a General Fund contribution. There will be a 15% service fee charged to SBCEO by ADMHS to cover administration costs. This will generate revenue of \$49,000 for ADMHS. A budget revision to reflect changes in revenue and appropriations will be submitted after adoption of this agreement. The budget revision will not reflect any additional General Fund contribution over the \$263,757.

Special Instructions:

Please forward the second fully executed original contract and signature page and one (1) copy of the minute order to:

Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services
ATTN: Contracts Office
300 N. San Antonio Road
Santa Barbara, CA 93110

Concurrence:

County Counsel
Auditor-Controller
Risk Management