



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: September 17, 2019
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Alice Gleghorn, PhD, Director
Director(s) Department of Behavioral Wellness, 805-681-5220
Contact Info: Ole Behrendtsen, MD, Medical Director, 805-681-5220
SUBJECT: Behavioral Wellness - Fred Berge, M.D. FY 19-20 Contractor on Payroll (COP) Agreement

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 Contractor On Payroll Agreement with Fred Berge, MD, to provide psychiatric services for the period of September 18, 2019 to June 30, 2020 in an amount not to exceed \$156,689; and
- B. Determine that the above actions are government fiscal activities or funding mechanisms which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in potentially physical impact on the environment, and are therefore not a project under the California Environmental Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA guidelines.

Summary Text:

The Department of Behavioral Wellness (Behavioral Wellness) provides specialty mental health services to adults with mental illness and children with serious emotional disturbances, in part through contracted providers, including Contractors on Payroll (COP). The above referenced contract complies with the Santa Barbara County Contractor on Payroll Policy approved by the Board of Supervisors on October 20, 2015. Approval of the contract will ensure the continued provision of critical mental health and related services during FY 19-20.

Background:

Behavioral Wellness has experienced continuing difficulty recruiting and retaining psychiatrists to the area. Although the County maintains an ongoing recruitment for psychiatrists and psychiatric nurses, it rarely produces enough qualified candidates to meet departmental needs. COPs have helped to bridge the gap to provide needed mental health treatment capacity.

Fred Berge, M.D. will provide psychiatric services to Behavioral Wellness South County Crisis Services, Santa Barbara AB109 clinic, pursuant to an MOU between the Departments of Behavioral Wellness and Probation, and the Santa Barbara De La Vina Adult clinic. Psychiatric services include development, review, revision, and approval of client assessments, evaluations and treatment plans; prescription and administration of psychiatric medications, as needed; assistance to clients with symptom management and development of personal coping skills; medication education for clients and families; and training, education and support to Behavioral Wellness staff and multi-disciplinary team members.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>FY 19-20 Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State	\$78,344.50		
Federal	\$78,344.50		
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$156,689.00	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative: The above referenced contracts are funded by a combination of State and Federal revenue. The funding sources have been approved in the FY 19-20 Budget.

Special Instructions:

Please return one (1) Minute Order and one (1) complete copy of the contract to the BWell Contracts Division at bwelcontractsstaff@co.santa-barbara.ca.us, cfoschaar@sbcbswell.org and Stefan Brewer, Position Control Division, Human Resources Department.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Fred Berge, M.D., Agreement for Services of Contractor on Payroll FY 19-20

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