



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: June 2, 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
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SUBJECT: Behavioral Wellness FY 20-21 Contract Renewal - Child Abuse Listening & Mediation (CALM)

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 an Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with **Child Abuse Listening and Mediation** (“CALM”), a California nonprofit corporation (and local vendor), for the provision of mental health services for FY 20-21, for a total contract maximum amount not to exceed **\$3,046,311** for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021;
- B. Delegate to the Behavioral Wellness Director, or designee, the authority to make immaterial changes to the agreement, amend the staffing requirements of a particular program; reallocate funds between funding sources during the term of the agreement, as long as there is no change to the Maximum Contract Amount; and amend the program goals, outcomes, and measures in Exhibit E, all without needing to return to the Board for a formal amendment to the Agreement, 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 which 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:

The item is on the agenda to request authorization for Behavioral Wellness (BeWell) to renew the mental health Agreement with Child Abuse Listening and Mediation (“CALM”) to provide mandated specialty

mental health children's services to clients 21 years of age and younger for a contract maximum amount not to exceed **\$3,046,311** for FY 20/21, along with the authority to make any amendments or modifications that do not materially change the terms of this Agreement, amend the staffing requirements, or reallocate between funding sources to utilize and maximize any additional funding or FFP without needing to return to the Board for a formal amendment. Approval of the recommended actions will allow BeWell to continue to provide various specialty mental health services to children with serious emotional disturbances (SED), including therapy and rehabilitation services.

Background:

CALM provides various mental health services to children and families countywide. For example, as part of the SPIRIT Program, CALM provides a Child and Family Specialist to work in collaboration with Behavioral Wellness staff on three regional Wraparound teams that serve children that are at greatest risk of out-of-home placement. CALM provides Intensive In-Home (IIH) mental health services in homes and community settings of child clients and their families to improve client and family functioning. CALM's Therapeutic Foster Care program (HOPE) provides Intensive In-Home services to child clients in foster care. CALM also provides early childhood mental health services through Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Prevention, Early Intervention (PEI), and Medi-Cal funding to children between zero and five years old and their families. In addition, CALM provides short-term therapy to child clients and their families in an outpatient setting.

Contract Renewals and Performance Outcomes:

Through Quarter 2 of FY 19/20, CALM performed at the following level:

1. **Intensive In-Home (IIH):** Served 55 and 51 unique clients during Q1 & Q2, respectively. All goals were met, except inpatient admissions were up at 14% (goal is 5% or less). Those discharged to a lower level of care were at 57% (goal is 85% or greater). Based on the reporting and submission of quarterly reports, the numbers will vary since cases are ongoing, continuously opening and closing, so the numbers do adjust in the next quarter.
2. **SPIRIT:** Served 24 & 16 unique clients respectively during Q1 & Q2. Incarcerations were slightly high during the 2nd quarter at 9% (goal is 5% or less). There were fewer clients engaged in purposeful activities during the 2nd quarter (88% versus 100% during the 1st quarter). Placements out of the primary home were higher at 9% (goal is 5% or less).
3. **Pathways:** Served 46 & 38 unique clients during Q1 & Q2, respectively. All goals were met, except those discharged to a higher level of care during the 2nd quarter was slightly higher (27%) than the expected goal of 15% or less. Some clients have ongoing stressors due to custody issues that are ongoing and at times require short-term, higher levels of care.
4. **Managed Care Program:** Served 45 & 34 unique clients during Q1 & Q2, respectively. Those discharged to a higher level of care were slightly high (20%) from the goal of 15% or less (1 out of 5 clients discharged went to a higher level of care). All other goals were met.
5. **Early Childhood Specialty Mental Health (ECSMH):** Served 233 & 150 unique clients during Q1 & Q2, respectively. All goals were met.
6. **Early Childhood Mental Health (ECMH):** Served 50 & 29 unique clients during Q1 & Q2, respectively. All goals were met.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>FY 20-21</u>
General Fund	
State	\$ 1,523,155.50
Federal	\$ 1,523,155.50
Fees	
Other:	
Total	\$ 3,046,311.00

Narrative: The above-referenced contract is funded by State and Federal funds. The funding sources are included in the FY 2020-2021 Proposed Budget.

Key Contract Risks:

As with any contract funded with 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 send one (1) signature page and one (1) minute order to: dmorales@co.santa-barbara.ca.us and one to bwellcontractsstaff@co.santa-barbara.ca.us.

Attachments:

Attachment A: CALM FY 20-21 BC

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