



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: July 12, 2022
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Antonette Navarro, LMFT, Director
Director(s) Department of Behavioral Wellness, (805) 681-5220
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SUBJECT: Behavioral Wellness – First Amendment to the California Youth Opioid
Response (YOR) Grant Agreement for Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2023

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 Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness or designee to execute the First Amendment to the **California Youth Opioid Response (YOR) Grant Agreement No. 2520** with **California Institute for Behavioral Health Solutions (CIBHS)**, a California not-for-profit entity (not a local entity), to extend the agreement by one month for the continued provision of prevention, early intervention, treatment, and recovery services for youth and young adults with substance use disorder related to opioids and/or stimulants, with on change to the agreement amount of **\$552,000** for the period of March 1, 2021 through September 29, 2022 (Attachment A);
- B. Determine that the above action is a government fiscal activity or funding mechanism which does not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment, and is therefore not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Summary Text:

The above-referenced item is on the agenda to request Board of Supervisors (Board) approval for the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness (BWell) to execute the First Amendment to the multiyear YOR agreement with CIBHS to extend the agreement by one month for the continued provision of prevention, early intervention, treatment, and recovery services for youth and young adults with substance use disorder related to opioids and/or stimulants, with no change to the agreement amount of **\$552,000** for the period of March 1, 2021 through September 29, 2022.

Background:

To address the ongoing opioid crisis, and to expand access to improve services for youth ages 12-24, the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) allocated \$22 million in grant funds from 2019 – 2021. These grants are funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The State Opioid Response (SOR) service grant was part of funding from SAMHSA. SOR service grant funding was dispersed to DHCS for disbursement, who in turn contracted with CIBHS to oversee the grant process and implementation of the California Youth Opioid Response (YOR) grants.

YOR project grants promote programs in which youth with opioid and stimulant disorders can access a continuum of effective youth-specific prevention, early intervention, treatment, and recovery services. On June 22, 2021, the Board authorized the Director of BWell to execute an agreement with CIBHS to accept the YOR grant funds.

Although SAMHSA, the funding entity, did not allow a no-cost extension of YOR California Agreements, CIBHS was able to amend the term of all YOR California grantee agreements by one month, changing the contract termination date from August 31, 2022, to September 29, 2022. Even though it is only an extra 30 days, it will provide BWell additional time to spend down grant funds. The one-month extension does not change the Agreement amount.

Through the YOR grant, BWell provided 180 unduplicated Transition Age Youth (TAY) (ages 12 to 24) with Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) and Substance Use Disorder (StUDs) with a focus on Latinx youth in the Lompoc Valley. BWell provided outreach and education activities, creating a youth, peer facilitated drop-in center, YOR Place, with a full range of integrated services to increase engagement and access to OUD/StUDs treatment. Services included Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT), focused MAT opportunities, and a full range of outreach and care coordination. YOR Place increased access by offering a safe environment where clients and their families/identified supports, can receive educational information and MAT services in a youth-guided, family-oriented environment.

Performance Goals:

Goals:

1. Establish an accessible and welcoming drop-in center in Lompoc for Latinx and other clients and their families to assess and address high risk opioid and other substance use/abuse issues.

Measure: Client and family satisfaction through survey distribution and collection.

2. Develop a peer program to engage clients and their families and assist drop-in center staff.

Measure: Hiring of peers, development of formal peer program, including essential job functions and bi-weekly trainings on all topics included in program goals, with assessment of peer knowledge and skills by YOR project leader.

3. Provide screening and brief intervention and referral to treatment (SBIRT) services to youth and their families to address high risk opioid and other substance abuse issues.

Measure: Number of documented client or family interventions per month, number of SBIRTs, number of client and/or referrals per month, and number of clients and/or families who engage in services outside of the drop-in center.

Performance Outcomes and Measures:

In June 2021 a lease was established with Family Services Agency (FSA) to sublease space for the establishment of an accessible and welcoming drop-in center in Lompoc. A series of stakeholder meetings were facilitated to gather feedback from Lompoc community members (adolescents, young adults and family members provided stakeholder feedback). In August of 2021, services began being provided remotely and as of September 2021 a drop-in center opened with a formal Ribbon Cutting event held on September 27, 2021. Client and family satisfaction surveys are pending and will be distributed prior to the end of the grant.

The YOR Project Leader, Melissa Wilkins, collaborated with the Department Peer Empowerment Manager to recruit and hire four Peer Support Staff. The staff have participated in the Peer Certification training, receiving over 80 hours of training regarding peer support services. The YOR Project Leader continues to partner with the Peer Empowerment Manager to ensure that peer staff are participating in bi-weekly trainings. A formal peer program has been established as a part of the YOR Place Lompoc program, with every client and family member receiving peer support services once engaged in YOR Place treatment services.

Since the implementation of YOR Place Lompoc in August 2021, approximately 380 youth and family members have been engaged in outreach events including adolescent engagement activities, school-based outreach, family support groups and Narcan distribution events. Approximately 43 youth have been engaged in 1:1 activities, with 24 of those receiving formal screenings; 15 of those youth were referred for SUD treatment for opioid use disorder or stimulant use disorders (Male: 50%, Female: 50%; Latinx 75%, Black 12%; Mixed race 12%; 12-17: 50%, 18-24: 50%). YOR Place Lompoc has partnered with Coast Valley Substance Abuse Treatment Center to provide specialized SUD treatment on-site for youth identified as needing SUD treatment. Additionally, YOR Place Lompoc staff (including an Alcohol and Drug Service Specialist and Peer Support Staff) have provided 29 youth with navigation services to assist with educational support, housing, vocational support and mental health services. Twelve families have received family services and regular family support groups are now offered monthly (in English and Spanish).

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Begins: 3-1-2021 FY 20-21 Cost:</u>	<u>FY 21-22 Cost:</u>	<u>Terms: 9/29/2022 FY 22-23 Cost:</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other: YOR Grant	\$ 143,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 59,000
Total	\$ 143,000	\$ 350,000	\$ 59,000
Grand Total			\$ 552,000

Narrative: The above-referenced Grant Agreement is funded by State and Federal funds. The funding sources are included in the FY 2022-2023 Adopted Budget. BWell ADP plans to sustain the YOR Place Lompoc program through Substance Abuse Block Grant (SABG) funding and Drug Medi-Cal (DMC) certification. Drug Medi-Cal certification will allow for reimbursement for screening, care coordination and treatment services provided by YOR Place Lompoc program staff.

Key Contract Risks: The YOR Grant Agreement imposes procedural and reporting requirements that BWell will need to implement which may be subject to future audit. Failure to fully comply with the reporting requirements detailed in the YOR Grant Agreement could result in the State withholding funding. The YOR Grant Agreement also requires the County to submit all written or otherwise recorded material produced for public distribution in connection with the services to CIBHS for review and approval prior to distribution of such materials.

Special Instructions:

Please return one (1) Minute Order to dmorales@sbcbswell.org and bwellcontractsstaff@sbcbswell.org.

Attachments:

Attachment A: CIBHS FY 20-23 YOR Grant No. 2520 AM1

Attachment B: CIBHS FY 20-23 YOR Grant No. 2520

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