



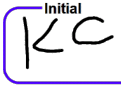
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER**

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Submitted on:
(COB Stamp)

Department Name: Behavioral Wellness
Department No.: 043
Agenda Date: June 10, 2025
Placement: Administrative Agenda
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from: N/A
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director: Antonette Navarro, LMFT, Director
Department of Behavioral Wellness 
Contact Info: Katie Cohen, PsyD, LMFT, Asst. Director of Clinical
Operations Department of Behavioral Wellness,
Chris Ribeiro, Chief Financial & Administrative Officer
Department of Behavioral Wellness
SUBJECT: Crestwood Behavioral Health, Inc. FY 25-26 Renewal Agreement for Training
Services

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 and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Crestwood Behavioral Health, Inc. (not a local vendor) for the provision of training services for a maximum contract amount not to exceed \$10,000 for the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026;
- b) Delegate to the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness or designee the authorities listed below, all without altering the maximum contract amount and without requiring the Board’s approval of an amendment of the Agreement, subject to the Board’s ability to rescind this delegated authority at any time:
 - i) Suspend, delay, or interrupt the services under the Agreement for convenience per Section 20 of the Agreement; and
 - ii) Make immaterial changes to the Agreement per Section 26; and
- c) Determine that the above recommended actions are not a project that is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(4), finding that the actions are governmental funding

mechanisms and/or fiscal activities that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda to request Board of Supervisors approval to execute an Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Crestwood Behavioral Health, Inc., for the provision of training services, for a maximum contract amount not to exceed \$10,000 for the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. The trainings are intended for Peer Support Specialist staff, leadership/supervisory staff working with Peer Support staff, and other staff working directly with Peer support staff. These trainings will lead to successful Peer professional development, employment, overall staff retention, and enhanced service delivery teamwork.

Board approval is required for agreements when the countywide aggregate amount of contracts with the same vendor exceed the County Purchasing Officer's authority.

Background:

Crestwood Recovery and Resilience Solutions (CRRS) is a unit of Crestwood Behavioral Health, Inc., a Delaware corporation (not a local vendor), that provides training services. These training services are funded as part of the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) and are part of Workforce, Education, and Training funding. The objective of this training is to provide a competency-based learning experience for individuals who supervise and/or are members of Santa Barbara County Behavioral Wellness Department. The training that will be provided aligns with the foundational practices, skills, and professional expectations of the Crestwood Recovery Resilient Solutions' Peer Support Learning for the 21st Century. The Medi-Cal Approved Peer Support Specialist Certification Training is required for all department Peer Support Specialists to complete within their first year of employment.

Training will include the Recovery Practices for Leaders—Peer Supervision, the Recovery Practices for Organizations, the Recovery Practices in Ethics and Law for Peer Support, the Certified Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist Specialization for Parent, Caregiver, and Family Member Peers, and the Certified Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist Specialization for Justice-Involved Peers. This is the same suite of trainings provided in the FY 2024-25 contract.

Performance Outcomes:

During the fiscal year of 2024-25, Crestwood Behavioral Health, Inc. provided five trainings for an overall total of fifty department staff trained. Those trainings consisted of:

- a) Two instances of Crestwood Certified Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist Parent, Caregiver, & Family Member Specialization to a total of seven Certified Peers.
- b) One instance of Crestwood Certified Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist Justice Involved Specialization to a total of six Certified Peers.
- c) One instance of Crestwood Recovery Practices for Leaders one Day Workshop to a total of twenty BWell department supervisors/managers.
- d) One instance of Crestwood Recovery Practices for Organizations two Day Workshop to a total of seventeen BWell department treatment team members.

Surveys of past trainings have had favorable comments and continue to be a desired resource for the department. In addition, our Director continues to endorse and encourage our Certified Peers to complete each of the Certified Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist Specialization trainings to address the future program needs of our department. We recommend all of our Peer Trainees complete the Specialization training courses once certified.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

| Funding Source | FY 2025-26 | Total |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| General Fund | | |
| State | \$10,000 | \$10,000 |
| Federal | | |
| Fees | | |
| Total | \$10,000 | \$10,000 |

The training services agreement of \$10,000 will be funded with MHSA Workforce Education and Training (State) funds. These funds have been appropriated in the FY 25-26 Recommended Budget.

Special Instructions:

Please email one (1) complete executed Contract and one (1) minute order to jemontgomery@sbcbswell.org and bwelcontractsstaff@sbcbswell.org.

Attachments:

Attachment A – Crestwood Behavioral Health, Inc. FY 25-26 Services Agreement for Training

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