

# 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: August 14, 2018

Placement: Administrative

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Alice Gleghorn, PhD, Director

Director(s) Department of Behavioral Wellness, 681-5220

Contact Info: John Doyel, Alcohol and Drug Program Division Chief, 681-5220

**SUBJECT:** Aegis and Sanctuary Contract Amendments FY 18-19

### **County Counsel Concurrence**

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence** 

As to form: Yes As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

#### **Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve an authorize the Chair to execute a Second Amendment to the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Aegis Treatment Centers, LLC (a local vendor), a provider of narcotic treatment services, to revise the contract language for FY 18-19 and to shorten the contract term by six months, decreasing the contract amount by \$2,160,000 for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$10,380,000 for the period of July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2018.
- B. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute a Fourth Amendment to the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Sanctuary Centers of Santa Barbara Inc. (a local vendor), a provider of substance abuse use disorders for dually diagnosed adults, to shorten the contract term by six months, decreasing the contract amount by \$192,595 for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$892,575 for the period of July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2018.
- C. Determine that the above actions are organizational or administrative actions of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment, pursuant to section 15378(b)(5) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines.

#### **Summary Text:**

The above referenced contracts are on the agenda to request a change in their contract term for alcohol and drug program services. Due to a delay in the implementation of the new Organized Delivery System (ODS), Alcohol and Drug Programs (ADP) have been budgeted for a six (6) month allocation in FY 18-19, through December 31, 2018. Once the Department implements ODS, ADP portions of FY 18-19 contracts will either be amended or terminated depending on the results of the Residential Treatment Services and Outpatient Treatment Services Request for Proposals. Approval of the recommended actions will allow Behavioral Wellness to continue to provide mandated mental health, substance use, and ancillary services to clients needing care.

#### **Background:**

Behavioral Wellness is mandated by the California Welfare and Institutions Code to provide services to individuals with substance use issues in Santa Barbara County. Behavioral Wellness provides these services primarily through contracted providers. Services include a narcotic treatment program, and outpatient counseling and drug testing. Behavioral Wellness is decreasing the ADP amounts of these contracts in preparation of the implementation of the Organized Delivery Service. At this time, we believe that new contracts will be in place by October 1, 2018. However, since we have not yet received the final version of our contract with the State, it is hard to negotiate new contracts with Community Based Organizations. Because of this, we have decided on six month allocations instead of three.

Aegis Treatment Centers (Aegis): Aegis operates a Narcotic Treatment Program (NTP) that provides methadone prescribed by a physician to alleviate withdrawal symptoms from narcotics. Aegis also conducts drug screening and provides clients with individual and group counseling. Clients who have substance abuse diagnoses and addictions to opiates receive services that support stabilization, rehabilitation and recovery. Due to the fact that Mental Health & Substance Use Disorder (MHSUDS) Information Notice No 16-023 and Information Notice No. 17-036 revised the standards regarding the transition from county of service to county of responsibility model of service delivery, the Department is adding language to the Agreement in order to clarify the transition of Drug Medi-Cal (DMC) claims reimbursement from county of service to county of residence and to establish the process Aegis shall follow when the County of Santa Barbara Medi-Cal beneficiaries receive services at Aegis' clinics located in other counties.

<u>Sanctuary Psychiatric Centers (Sanctuary):</u> Sanctuary operates an adult outpatient treatment program to assist clients with co-occurring substance abuse and mental health issues to obtain and maintain sobriety. Treatment services include best practice outpatient individual and group counseling, and drug testing. Through Behavioral Wellness' contract, Sanctuary serves Drug Medi-Cal clients as well as Court-ordered adults referred by Santa Barbara Drug Courts.

#### **PERFORMANCE OUTCOMES:**

The following Performance Outcomes are based upon data from Quarters 1 and 2. Data from Quarters 3 and 4 is currently being analyzed.

## **Aegis**

Aegis Treatment Centers, LLC (ATC) provides outpatient methadone treatment for opioid recovery to an average of 746 clients per quarter. Due to the nature of the treatment they provide, they are closely monitored by State and Federal agencies, in addition to the Department of Behavioral Wellness. ATC maintains a sophisticated Electronic Health Record system, from which they readily produce data for outcome monitoring. Aegis has performed well, having met and/or exceeded three of their four outcome goals.

	Goal	Actual		Average
		Q1	Q2	
Clients will have a complete physical examination	100%	100%	100%	100%
Clients will stop using drugs of abuse other than the prescribed narcotic replacement (for those in $Tx = >6$ months)	75%	81%	80%	80.5%
Decrease client incarceration rates (for those in $Tx = >1$ yr)	50%	51%	37%	44%
Successful Completion of Tx (discharges)	20%	37%	38%	37.5%

### **Sanctuary**

Sanctuary Psychiatric Centers provides Outpatient Drug Free (ODF) treatment services and Intensive Outpatient Treatment (IOT) for clients with co-occurring disorders. These programs treat some of the most vulnerable and disabled clients, specifically those who have serious psychotic disorders such as schizophrenia, bipolar disorder or schizoaffective disorder, in conjunction with a substance use disorder.

Sanctuary Psychiatric served an average of 116 clients per quarter, and performed very well, achieving and surpassing all outcome goals.

	Goal	Actual		Average
Outcome		Q1	Q2	
Adult - <u>initiate</u> treatment (15+ days)	90%	97%	94%	95.5%
Adults - engage in treatment (31+ days)	60%	83%	100%	91.5%
Adults - retained in treatment (91+ days)	30%	46%	38%	42%
Adults - successfully complete treatment	35%	37%	47%	42%

## **Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

#### **Fiscal Analysis:**

Funding Sources	FY 16-7 FY 17-		FY 17-18	FY 18-19	
General Fund					
State	\$ 2,107,395.00	\$	2,352,595.00	\$ 1,176,297.50	
Federal	\$ 2,107,395.00	\$	2,352,595.00	\$ 1,176,297.50	
Fees					
Other:					
Total	\$ 4,214,790.00	\$	4,705,190.00	\$ 2,352,595.00	

Narrative: The above referenced contracts are funded by State and Federal funds. Behavioral Wellness is decreasing the ADP amounts of these contracts in preparation of the implementation of the Organized Delivery Service. At this time, we believe that new contracts will be in place by October 1, 2018. However, since we have not yet received the final version of our contract with the State, it is hard to negotiate new contracts with Community Based Organizations. Because of this, we have decided on six month allocations instead of three.

#### **Key\_Contract\_Risks:**

It is possible that our contract with the State may not be Board approved before December 31, 2018. If this should happen, the Department will amend the contracts extending the terms.

#### **Special Instructions:**

Please send one (1) minute order and executed contracts to: <a href="mailto:qilopez@co.santa-barbara.ca.us">qilopez@co.santa-barbara.ca.us</a>.

## **Attachments:**

Attachment A: Aegis FY 16-19 AM 2 Attachment B: Aegis FY 16-19 AM 1 Attachment C: Aegis FY 16-19 BC Attachment D: Sanctuary FY 16-19 AM 4 Attachment E: Sanctuary FY 16-19 AM 3

Attachment F: Sanctuary FY 16-19 AM 2 Attachment G: Sanctuary FY 16-19 AM 1

Attachment H: Sanctuary FY 16-19 BC

#### **Authored by:**

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