

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 13, 2021
Placement: Administrative

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Pamela Fisher, Psy.D., Acting Director Behavioral Wellness,

Director(s) (805) 681-5220

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SUBJECT: Behavioral Wellness Mental Health Services – Second Amended Agreement

PathPoint FY 19-22

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, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute a **Second Amendment** to the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with **PathPoint BC 19-251**, a California nonprofit (a local vendor), to update language in the Standard Terms and Conditions and Exhibit A-1 General Provisions for compliance with state and federal regulations; add language to Exhibit A-2 Statement of Work MHS Residential Support Services and Exhibit A-3 Statement of Work Supportive Community Services South (SCS) for the delivery of additional services if needed; update language in Exhibit A-3 to increase staffing; and update Exhibit B Financial Provisions, Exhibit B-1 Schedule of Rates and Contract Maximum, and Exhibit B-2 Entity Budget by Program to increase funding by \$59,137 for FY 21-22 for the added SCS Program staff with the Maximum Contract Amount not to exceed \$7,212,853, inclusive of \$2,384,572 for FY 19-20, \$2,384,572 for FY 20-21, and \$2,443,709 for FY 21-22, for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022;
- B. Delegate to the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness or designee the authority to suspend, delay, or interrupt the services under the Agreement for convenience per Section 20 of the Agreement, authorize additional services per Exhibits A-2, A-3, and A-4 of the Agreement, and adjust the provisional rate with discretion per Exhibit B of the Agreement, all without altering the Maximum Contract Amount and without requiring the Board's approval of an amendment to the Agreement, subject to the Boards ability to rescind this delegated authority at any time; and

C. Determine that the above actions are government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities, which do not involve any commitment to any specific project that may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment and are therefore not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Summary Text: This item is on the agenda to request approval, ratification, and authorization for the Chair of the Board of Supervisors (Board) to execute the Second Amended Agreement with PathPoint in order to update language to the Agreement and the Exhibit A-1 General Provisions, add language to Exhibit A-2 and Exhibit A-3 to include additional services if needed; update the Exhibit A-3 Supportive Community Services South (SCS) to increase staffing and funding by \$59,137, and subsequently update the Exhibit B Financial Provisions, Exhibit B-1 Schedule of Rates and Contract Maximum, and Exhibit B-2 Entity Budget by Program with the Maximum Contract Amount not to exceed \$7,212,853 for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022. In addition, Behavioral Wellness (BWell) requests that the Board delegate to the Director of the Department of Behavioral Wellness or her designee the authority to suspend, delay, or interrupt the services under the Agreement for convenience per Section 20 of the Agreement, authorize additional services per Exhibits A-2, A-3, and A-4 of the Agreement without altering the Maximum Contract Amount and without requiring a formal amendment to the Agreement, subject to the Board of Supervisor's ability to rescind this delegated authority at any time.

Background:

BWell provides specialty mental health services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries and other individuals to the extent resources allow, in part, through contracted services. The Board approved the PathPoint Agreement BC 19-251 on June 18, 2019 and approved the First Amended Agreement on December 8, 2020. PathPoint provides an array of specialty mental health services to adults with serious mental illness (SMI) or serious emotional disturbance (SED) in the South County region, consisting of mental health case management services through their Residential Support Services for residents of the El Carrillo, Artisan Court, and Bradley Studios apartments, located in Santa Barbara; Supportive Community Services providing treatment, rehabilitative services, and supportive services to assist individuals with obtaining and keeping community housing in independent living arrangements; and two intensive residential programs at Mountain House and Phoenix House.

This Second Amended Agreement updates language to the Agreement and Exhibit A-1 MHS General Provisions for compliance with state and federal regulations. It adds language to Exhibit A-2 and Exhibit A-3 of the Agreement to provide flexibility if additional services are needed without change to the Maximum Contract Amount. In addition, due to a Request for Proposal for Supportive Community Services awarded in April 2021, PathPoint continues to enhance the services. Exhibit A-3 Supportive Community Services South (SCS) was updated due to a need for increased staffing and funding of \$59,137, which subsequently required updating the Exhibit B Financial Provisions, Exhibit B-1 Schedule of Rates and Contract Maximum, and Exhibit B-2 Entity Budget by Program.

Contract Renewals and Performance Outcomes:

During the first three quarters of FY 2020-2021:

1. *Phoenix House*: They served an average of 12 clients per quarter and had 3 discharges. One client received acute psychiatric inpatient care. No clients received emergency care for physical health and no clients received inpatient physical health treatment. There were no incarcerations during the first three quarters of this FY. An average of 97% of clients had stable/permanent housing; 62% engaged in purposeful activities; 50% were discharged to a lower level of care; and 50% were moved to a

- higher level of care (out of two total discharges during the first three quarters). Phoenix House had a major success in the third quarter by coordinating with CVS Pharmacy to offer COVID-19 vaccinations to residents and staff. All staff and 8 of the clients were vaccinated and Phoenix House has remained free of COVID-19.
- 2. Mountain House: They served an average of 14 clients per quarter and had no discharges. An average of 5% received acute psychiatric inpatient care. One client received emergency care for physical health and no clients received inpatient physical health treatment. There were no incarcerations during the first three quarters of this FY. All clients had stable/permanent housing; 38% engaged in purposeful activities. Mountain House also coordinated with CVS Pharmacy to offer COVID-19 vaccinations to residents and staff. All staff and all 14 clients were vaccinated and Mountain House has remained free of COVID-19.
- 3. Supportive Community Services: They served an average of 115 clients per quarter and had 10 discharges. An average of 3% received acute psychiatric inpatient care. An average of 12% received emergency care for physical health and 4% received inpatient physical health treatment. There were no incarcerations during the first three quarters of this FY. An average of 94% had stable/permanent housing; 25% engaged in purposeful activities; 58% were discharged to a lower level of care; and 42% were moved to a higher level of care. They continue to provide in-person support to all clients enrolled in the program while monitoring the latest CDC guidelines for safety standards during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 4. **Residential Supportive Services:** They served an average of 26 clients per quarter with 3 discharges. An average of 8% received acute psychiatric inpatient care. An average of 8% received emergency care for physical health and 4% received inpatient physical health treatment. There were no incarcerations during the first three quarters of this FY. All clients had stable/permanent housing; 31% engaged in purposeful activities; no clients were discharged to a lower level of care; and 75% were moved to a higher level of care. They continue to have on-site support during COVID-19 and helped clients receive vaccinations when requested. There was coordination on site at one of the sites between Doctors Without Walls and the Housing Authority, which led to 106 people being able to receive the vaccine successfully.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	Cost FY 19-20:		Cost FY 20-21		Cost FY 21-22	
General Fund						
State	\$	1,338,430	\$	1,338,430	\$	1,370,955
Federal	\$	1,046,142	\$	1,046,142	\$	1,072,754
Fees						
Other:						
Total	\$	2,384,572	\$	2,384,572	\$	2,443,709
Total FY 19-22					\$	7,212,853

Narrative: The increase of funds for FY 21-22 are included in the FY Proposed Budget and is contingent on Board approval.

Key Contract Risks:

As with any contract funded by State and Federal sources, there is a risk of future audit disallowances and repayments. BWell contracts include language that requires the contractor to repay any amounts disallowed in audit findings, minimizing financial risks to the County.

Special Instructions:

Please email one (1) complete executed contract and one (1) minute order to Denise Morales: dmorales@co.santa-barbara.ca.us and to bwellcontractsstaff@co.santa-barbara.ca.us.

Attachments:

Attachment A: PathPoint FY 19-22 BC 19-251 AM2 Attachment B: PathPoint FY 19-22 BC 19-251 AM1 Attachment C: PathPoint FY 19-22 BC 19-251

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