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To: Board of Supervisors  
From: William Walker, M.D., Health Services Director  
Date: January 24, 2012

Subject: Novation Contract #74-043-18 with Seneca Family of Agencies

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**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

Approve and authorize the Health Services Director, or his designee, to execute, on behalf of the County, Novation Contract #74-043-18 with Seneca Family of Agencies, a non-profit corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$555,000, to provide Therapeutic Behavioral Services (TBS) for the period from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. This Contract includes a six-month automatic extension through December 31, 2012, in an amount not to exceed \$277,500.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This Contract is funded 50% by Federal Medi-Cal (FFP) and 50% by State Early and Persistent Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT). (No rate increase)

**BACKGROUND:**

The State Department of Mental Health has been working in collaboration with County's Mental Health Division to establish a mandated program to provide TBS to children who participate in the EPSDT Supplemental Specialty Mental Health services. This program will provide

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☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

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Action of Board On: **01/24/2012** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, District I  
Supervisor  
Gayle B. Uilkema, District II  
Supervisor  
Mary N. Piepho, District III  
Supervisor  
Karen Mitchoff, District IV  
Supervisor  
Federal D. Glover, District V  
Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: January 24, 2012

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: June McHuen, Deputy

Contact: Cynthia Belon,  
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### BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

emergency placement services to eligible Medi-Cal beneficiaries less than 21 years of age, who meet the medical necessity criteria of their Mental Health Plan, and who have been discharged from a hospital or have failed in other placements.

On February 8, 2011, the Board of Supervisors approved Novation Contract #74-043-17 with Seneca Residential and Day Treatment Center for Children (now known as Seneca Family of Agencies), for the period from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011, which included a six-month automatic extension through December 31, 2011, for the provision of TBS to County's clients.

Approval of Novation Contract #74-043-18 replaces the automatic extension under the prior Contract and allows the Contractor to continue providing services through June 30, 2012.

### CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this contract is not approved, children who participate in the EPSDT Supplemental Specialty Mental Health program will experience reduced levels of service as the County solicits and engages an alternate contractor to provide mandated TBS services.

### CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

This TBS program supports the following Board of Supervisors' community outcomes: "Children Ready For and Succeeding in School"; "Families that are Safe, Stable, and Nurturing"; and "Communities that are Safe and Provide a High Quality of Life for Children and Families". Expected program outcomes include an increase in positive social and emotional development as measured by the Child and Adolescent Functional Assessment Scale (CAFAS).