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Costa  
County**

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: William Walker, M.D., Health Services Director  
Date: January 26, 2010

Subject: Novation Contract #24-959-17 with Family Stress Center, Inc.

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

Approve and authorize the Health Services Director, or his designee (Donna Wigand), to execute, on behalf of the County, Novation Contract #24-959-17 with Family Stress Center, Inc., a non-profit corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$106,000, to provide mental health services to recipients of the CalWORKs Program, for the period from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. This Contract includes a six-month automatic extension through December 31, 2010, in an amount not to exceed \$53,000.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This Contract is funded 100% by State CalWORKs through the Employment and Human Services Department.

**BACKGROUND:**

In August 1997, the State of California Legislature passed Assembly Bill 1542 which brought major changes to the welfare programs previously operated by the State. Among the changes was a provision that required treatment of substance abuse and mental illnesses of Welfare-to-Work participants, when these conditions interfere with participation in Welfare-to-Work activities.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **01/26/2010** ☒ 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  
Susan A. Bonilla, 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 26, 2010

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

By: June McHuen, Deputy

Contact: Donna Wigand  
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### BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

Subsequently, the County's Employment and Human Services Department and Health Services Department signed an Interdepartmental Services Agreement (#21 427), which allowed the Health Services Department to provide substance abuse and mental health services to Welfare-to-Work participants referred by the Employment and Human Services Department.

On January 29, 2009, the Board of Supervisors approved Novation Contract #24-959-16 with Family Stress Center, Inc., for the period from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, which included a six-month automatic extension through December 31, 2009, for the provision of mental health services, including individual, group and family collateral counseling, case management, and medication management services to CalWORKs participants to reduce barriers to employment.

Approval of Novation Contract #24-959-17 replaces the automatic extension under the prior Contract and allows the Contractor to continue providing services through June 30, 2010.