



**Contra  
Costa  
County**

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Anna Roth, Health Services Director  
Date: December 7, 2021

Subject: Novation Contract #74-593-4 with Mental Health Systems, Inc.

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**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Health Services Director, or designee, to execute on behalf of the County Novation Contract #74-593-4 with Mental Health Systems, Inc., a non-profit corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$312,783, to provide socialization and vocational rehabilitative services to adults with severe and persistent mental illness for the period from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, which includes a six-month automatic extension through December 31, 2022, in an amount not to exceed \$156,391.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Approval of this contract will result in annual expenditures of up to \$312,783 for FY 2021-2022 and will be funded 100% by Mental Health Realignment. (Rate increase)

**BACKGROUND:**

This contract meets the social needs of the County's population by providing programming for adults in recovery from psychiatric disorders, helping them to develop the support networks, vocational skills, and self-confidence needed to sustain stable and productive lives, throughout Contra Costa County. Mental Health Systems, Inc. has been providing socialization and vocational rehabilitative services to adults for the County since January 1,

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY  
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD  
COMMITTEE

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Action of Board On: **12/07/2021** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor  
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor  
Diane Burgis, 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: December 7, 2021

Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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By: Laura Cassell, Deputy

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### BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

On November 3, 2020, the Board of Supervisors approved Novation Contract #74-593-3 with Mental Health Systems, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$303,673 for the provision of socialization and vocational rehabilitative services to adults with severe and persistent mental illness, including specific technical training and hands-on instruction for trades, certifications, or diplomas for the period from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, which included a six-month automatic extension through December 31, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$151,836.

Approval of Novation Contract #74-593-4 replaces the automatic extension under the prior contract and allows the contractor to continue providing services through June 30, 2022.

### CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this contract is not approved, adults with severe and persistent mental illness will not receive vocational services provided by this contractor.