



Contra Costa County

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Anna Roth, Health Services Director
Date: December 14, 2021

Subject: Novation Contract #74-525-9 with Center for Psychotherapy

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Health Services Director, or designee, to execute on behalf of the County Novation Contract #74-525-9 with Center for Psychotherapy, a non-profit corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$796,800, to provide mental health, case management and crisis intervention services for Seriously Emotionally Disturbed (SED) adolescents and latency-aged children in East Contra Costa County, 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 \$398,400.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Approval of this contract will result in budgeted expenditures of up to \$796,800 and will be funded by 50% Federal Medi-Cal (\$398,400) and 50% Mental Health Realignment (\$398,400) revenues. (No rate increase)

BACKGROUND:

This contract meets the social needs of the County's population by providing mental health services for SED adolescents and latency-aged children. Goals for program participants include reduction of disruptive behavior, keeping children with biological/adoptive parents,

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **12/14/2021** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

ABSENT: Diane Burgis, District III 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 14, 2021

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

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or in the case of foster children, reducing the need for multiple changes in placement and/or placement in residential treatment.

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

Additional goals include stabilization in school settings and academic success. The County has been contracting with Center for Psychotherapy since October 2016. On January 5, 2021, the Board of Supervisors approved Contract #74-525-7 with Center for Psychotherapy, in an amount not to exceed \$344,740 for the provision of mental health services, case management and crisis intervention for SED adolescents and latency-aged children, for the period from January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021, which included a six-month extension through December 31, 2021, in an amount not to exceed \$344,740. On July 13, 2021, the Board of Supervisors approved Contract Amendment #74-525-8, effective April 1, 2021 to increase the per minute billing rates due to COVID-19, with no change in the original payment limit and term. Approval of Novation Contract #74-525-9 will replace the automatic extension under the prior contract and allow the contractor to continue providing services through June 30, 2022.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this contract is not approved, SED adolescents and latency-aged children will not receive mental health services from this contractor.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

This 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).