



**Contra
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County**

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

Subject: Novation Contract #74-058-34 with Seneca Family of Agencies

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Health Services Director, or designee, to execute on behalf of the County Novation Contract #74-058-34 with Seneca Family of Agencies, a non-profit corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$6,709,094, to provide school and community-based wraparound specialty mental health services and Therapeutic Behavioral Services (TBS) for Seriously Emotionally Disturbed (SED) children and their families in East, West and Central 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 \$3,354,547.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Approval of this contract will result in budgeted expenditures of up to \$6,709,094 for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 and will be funded by 50% Federal Medi-Cal (\$3,354,547), 45% Mental Health Realignment (\$3,063,632), 2% Martinez/West Contra Costa Unified School District grants (\$112,165), and 3% Probation Department Wrap Match (\$178,750). (No rate increase)

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> APPROVE | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR | <input type="checkbox"/> 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

By: Laura Cassell, Deputy

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BACKGROUND:

This contract meets the social needs of the County's population by providing community-based mental health services focusing on SED children, adolescents and their families which will result in positive social and emotional development at home, in the community and greater school success. The contractor has been providing these services since April 2000.

On December 8, 2020, the Board of Supervisors approved Novation Contract #74-058-32 with Seneca Family of Agencies, in an amount not to exceed \$5,920,758 for the provision of school and community-based wraparound specialty mental health services and TBS for SED children and their families in East, West and Central Contra Costa County, for the period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, which included a six-month automatic extension through December 31, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$2,962,879.

On July 13, 2021, the Board of Supervisors approved Contract Amendment Agreement #74-058-33 to increase the per minute billing rates due to COVID-19, with no change to the original payment limit of \$5,920,758 or term of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 and no change in the automatic extension through December 31, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$2,962,879.

Approval of Novation Contract #74-058-34 replaces the automatic extension and allows the Contractor to continue providing these specialty mental health services for SED children and families through June 30, 2022.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this contract is not approved, there will be fewer mental health services available for SED children in East, West and Central Contra Costa County as the County solicits and engages an alternative contractor

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

This Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) 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).