



**Contra  
Costa  
County**

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Anna Roth, Health Services Director  
Date: August 9, 2022

Subject: Novation Contract #74-402-19 with Aspiranet

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**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Health Services Director, or designee, to execute on behalf of the County Novation Contract #74-402-19 with Aspiranet, a non-profit corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$545,950, to provide Therapeutic Behavioral Services (TBS) for children and youth up to 21 years of age with high-risk behavior and placed in homes in Stanislaus County and Clients residing in facilities in Contra Costa County, for the period July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, which includes a six-month automatic extension through December 31, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$272,975.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Approval of this contract will result in budgeted expenditures of up to \$545,950 and will be funded by 50% Federal Medi-Cal (\$272,975) and 50% Mental Health Realignment (\$272,975) revenues. (Rate increase)

**BACKGROUND:**

This contract meets the social needs of the County's population by providing mental health

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☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY  
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD  
COMMITTEE

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Action of Board On: **08/09/2022** ☒ 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: August 9, 2022

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

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By: Laura Cassell, Deputy

services to adolescents with emotional and behavioral problems to improve school performance, reduce unsafe behavioral practices, and reduce the need for out-of-home placements. The County has been contracting with Aspiranet, since July 2010 to provide TBS services to children and youth.

On December 14, 2021, the Board of Supervisors approved Novation Contract #74-402-16 with Aspiranet, in an amount not to exceed \$295,038, for the provision of TBS services for children and youth up to 21 years of age with high-risk behavior who have been placed in group homes in Stanislaus County and Contra Costa County, for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, which included a six-month automatic extension through December 31, 2022, in an amount not to exceed \$147,519.

On February 1, 2022, the Board of Supervisors approved Contract Amendment Agreement #74-402-17 with Aspiranet, effective January 1, 2022, to increase the per minute billing rates due to COVID-19, with no change to the original payment limit of \$295,038 or original term of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 and no change to the automatic extension through December 31, 2022, in an amount not to exceed \$147,519.

## BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

On May 17 2022, the County Administrator approved Administrative Amendment Agreement #74-402-18 with Aspiranet, effective July 1, 2021, to remove crisis intervention services, to reflect the intent of both parties, with no change in the contract payment limit of \$295,038 or original term of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 and no change to the automatic extension through December 31, 2022, in an amount not to exceed \$147,519.

Approval of Novation Contract #74-402-19 replaces the automatic extension under the prior contract and allows the contractor to continue providing mental health services through June 30, 2023.

## CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this contract is not approved, clients requiring TBS services will not have access to contractor's services, which may result in a reduction in the levels of service to the community.

## CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

This program supports the following Board of Supervisors' community outcomes: "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).