

RESOLUTION NO.

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

WHEREAS, in accordance with Agreements by and between the State of California Department of Health Care Services and the County of El Dorado, the Health and Human Services Agency of the County of El Dorado is responsible for ensuring the county residents in need of specialty mental health services, and substance abuse disorder treatment services receive the appropriate services in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure compliance with the terms and conditions of various agreements with the State, including but not limited to said Agreements, the County must maintain a sufficient network of service providers to match the need within the County; and

WHEREAS, due to the Public Health Emergency as defined in Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-33-20, and in accordance with the County Public Health Officer Directive Restricting Activities in Response to COVID-19 Outbreak, this network of service providers has experienced and continues to experience significant service disruptions, decreased service delivery levels, client cancellations and mounting fiscal pressures; and

WHEREAS, this action is intended to provide immediate financial support for providers that continue to deliver our highest priority services, including but not limited to, direct face-to-face client services (and acceptable alternatives) delivered in the field, home, or clinic settings. Services to high need individuals and families, particularly through intensive care programs, are key to the well-being of the vulnerable populations we serve, some of which cannot be met solely through telehealth-based interventions; and

WHEREAS, to support the viability of the network service providers, the Health and Human Services Agency is recommending the Board adopt and approve this Resolution delegating authority to the Health and Human Services Agency Director to modify and execute Behavioral Health Agreements with service providers to provide immediate financial support for continuity of operations as a result of COVID-19 related disruptions, so long as neither the term nor the maximum obligation of each Agreement shall be changed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors does hereby delegate authority to the Director of the Health and Human Services Agency to process and execute amendments to Behavioral Health agreements for service providers who have identified significant impact to their organization due to disruptions created by the COVID-19 crisis, so long as neither the term nor the maximum obligation of each Agreement shall be changed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 21st day of April, 2020, by the following vote of said Board:

Attest: Kim Dawson, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors Ayes: Noes: Absent:

By: _

Deputy Clerk

Brian Veerkamp, Chair, Board of Supervisors