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Legislation Text

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Health and Human Services Agency, Social Services Division, recommending the Board consider the following:

- 1) Approve and authorize the Chair to sign Amendment I to Agreement for Services 527-S1311 with EDCA Lifeskills, increasing the maximum contractual obligation by \$300,000 from \$75,000 to \$375,000, for the continued provision of therapeutic counseling, substance abuse testing, and related services on an as requested basis with no change to the term ending April 25, 2016; and
- 2) Authorize the Purchasing Agent or designee to execute further documents relating to Agreement for Services 527-S1311, including amendments thereto and contingent upon approval by County Counsel and Risk Management, which do not affect the maximum dollar amount or term of the Agreement.

FUNDING: Funded with a blend Federal and State funds (85%) with County share of cost or required match (15%) met with realignment funds.

BUDGET SUMMARY:	
Total Estimated Cost of Am l.....	\$300,000
Budget - Current FY.....	\$75,000
Budget - Future FY.....	\$300,000
New Funding.....	
Total Funding Available.....	\$375,000
Change To Net County Cost.....	\$0

Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost

There is no impact to the Net County Cost associated with this Amendment I to Agreement for Services 527-S1311. Sufficient appropriations are included in the Fiscal Year 2013-14 budget and will be included in future County budget requests.

Background

The Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) has contracted with EDCA Lifeskills since 2007. The services provided by EDCA Lifeskills continues to be a successful tool to support families who are clients of County of El Dorado's HHSA's Child Protective Services (CPS) program. HHSA maintains agreements with multiple local vendors for the provision of therapeutic counseling and related services to ensure that clients can be referred by their caseworker on an "as requested" basis to receive necessary, and in some cases, Court-mandated services from the most appropriate and conveniently located vendor. Choice of vendor is based on the specific needs of each individual

HHSA client.

On May 14, 2013, the Board of Supervisors executed Agreement for Services 527-S1311 for the provision of therapeutic counseling, substance abuse testing, and related services in the amount of \$75,000 for a three-year term ending April 25, 2016.

Reason for Recommendation

In early fiscal year 2013-14, the County terminated substance abuse testing services with one of the primary contracted substance abuse providers, resulting in a redistribution of clients to other currently contracted providers. As a result, utilization of services has increased across the remaining contracted service providers, which requires an increase in funding to ensure ongoing availability of therapeutic counseling and substance abuse testing services for existing clients.

Pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 16501-16508, HHSA is required to provide counseling and substance abuse services that promote reunification of children and families who are being served by the HHSA CPS Program. Increased utilization of the services has outpaced the compensation originally determined for this Agreement. Approval of Amendment I to Agreement for Services 527-S1311 will help ensure the continued provision of Court-mandated therapeutic counseling, substance abuse testing, and related services on an “as requested” basis.

Failure to adopt this Amendment will result in difficulty meeting the service demands of the community and HHSA’s mandated service requirements, as well as disrupt the progress and continuity of care for clients currently receiving services from this vendor.

Clerk of the Board Follow Up Actions

- 1) The Clerk of the Board to obtain the Chair’s signature on the two (2) originals of Amendment I to Agreement for Services 527-S1311.
- 2) The Clerk of the Board to forward one (1) fully executed original Amendment to HHSA Contracts Unit at Briw Road for further processing.

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Concurrences

County Counsel and Risk Management