



Legislation Text

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Health and Human Services Agency, recommending the Board:

- 1) Approve and authorize the Chair to sign Agreement for Services 071-S1811 with Victor Treatment Centers, Inc., for the provision of “as requested” Specialty Mental Health Services for minors, for the term September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2020, with a maximum contractual obligation of \$150,000; and
- 2) Authorize the Purchasing Agent, or designee, to execute further documents relating to Agreement for Services 071-S1811, including amendments which do not increase the maximum dollar amount or term of the Agreement, and contingent upon approval by County Counsel and Risk Management.

FUNDING: Federal and State Funding.

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) recommending the Board approve and authorize the Chair to sign Agreement for Services 071-S1811 to provide “as requested” Specialty Mental Health Services for eligible minors, thus ensuring HHSA meets the requirements of the funding source.

Additionally, HHSA has determined, in accordance with County Ordinance Section 3.13.030, it is more economical and feasible to engage an independent contractor for Specialty Mental Health Services as the County does not possess the facilities, special qualifications, or support services required to perform the work described in the Agreement for Services.

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

The County has contracted with the State of California, Department of Health Care Services to serve as the Mental Health Plan (MHP) for the County of El Dorado. As the MHP, there are certain services required of the County, including but not limited to Specialty Mental Health Services for children and youth as identified in California Welfare and Institutions Code section 14684(a)(7).

The Agreement with Victor Treatment Centers, Inc. provides mandated Specialty Mental Health Services to eligible minors, on an “as requested” basis. Victor Treatment Centers, Inc., provides twenty-four (24) hour treatment and services, and specialized outpatient treatment services for mentally ill minors with the highest needs. All Specialty Mental Health Services are provided in accordance with Title 9 California Code of Regulations, Division 1, Chapter 11. Contracting with Victor Treatment Centers, Inc. provides clients with intensive services at the lowest appropriate level of care, thus reducing the high cost of placements in more restrictive environments. HHSA contracts with several vendors who provide the same services, to ensure the volume and scope of services required by this particular population continues to be met.

ALTERNATIVES

Disapproval of Agreement for Services 071-S1811 will result in difficulty meeting the service demands of the community, and may disrupt progress and continuity of care for clients currently receiving services from Victor Treatment Centers, Inc. Disapproval of this Agreement may also impact HHSA’s ability to provide mandated services.

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

County Counsel, Risk Management, Procurement and Contracts, and Human Resources.

CAO RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve this item.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no Net County Cost associated with this Agenda item. Sufficient appropriations were included in the FY 2017-18 budget, and will be included in future budgets for the term of the Agreement.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

- 1) Clerk of the Board to obtain signature of Chair on two (2) original Agreements for Services 071-S1811.
- 2) Clerk of the Board to return one (1) fully executed Agreement to the HHSA Contracts Unit at 3057 Briw Road.

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

County Strategic plan goal - "Healthy Communities - Improved health, well-being and self-sufficiency of El Dorado County communities, residents, and visitors."

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