

County of El Dorado

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Legislation Text

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Health Services Department, Mental Health Division, recommending the Board authorize the Chair to sign Agreement 020-S1111 with Family Connections El Dorado, Inc., in the amount of \$107,400 for the term July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011 to provide outreach and support services primarily for Latino individuals and families on the Western Slope.

FUNDING: State Mental Health Services Act.

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Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost: The not-to-exceed amount of this Agreement is \$107,400. There is no Net County Cost associated with this Agreement.

Compensation for Services: Payments are made to Contractor based upon monthly invoicing at specified billing rates for actual services performed and documented per contract requirements. Services and rates are detailed in Exhibit "C" of the contract.

Contract Termination: This Agreement includes the County's standard Fiscal Considerations termination language, as well as a provision for the County to terminate Agreement without cause in seven (7) calendar days upon written notice.

Reason for Recommendation: One of the programs identified in the County's approved MHSA funded Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Plan is a Health Disparities Initiative, addressing health disparities and culturally specific services for the Latino and Native American communities. The Board approved PEI Plan recognizes the need to provide bilingual and bicultural outreach, engagement, service brokerage, and peer/family support for Latino individuals and families. The Plan specifically calls for Family Connections to provide outreach and engagement services through the Promotora model.

The goal of the Family Connections program is to reduce barriers to mental health care access, thereby decreasing the health disparities experienced by the Latino population on the Western Slope.

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This goal is accomplished by use of cultural and linguistic peer outreach to engage the Latino community into critically needed services. The vendor staff funded by this program work collaboratively with County staff under the general supervision of the MHD Deputy Director or designee.

In accordance with Board of Supervisor's Procurement Policy C-17 Section 7.10, Health Services coordinated the review of the scope of services along with the Contractor's qualifications within the last three years and has provided the results to the Procurement & Contracts Division.

Action to be taken following Board approval:

- 1. Chair to sign three (3) original Agreements.
- Board Clerk's Office to return two (2) original Agreements to the Health Services Department, Mental Health Division.
- 3. Mental Health Division to distribute as appropriate.

Contact: Neda West, Health Services Department

Concurrences: This Agreement has been approved by County Counsel and Risk Management and a copy is on file in the Board Clerk's Office.