

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO  
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

**May 18, 2021**

**FROM**

**VERONICA KELLEY, Director, Department of Behavioral Health**

**SUBJECT**

Amendments to Contracts for Wraparound Mental Health Services

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

Approve **Amendment No. 4**, effective July 1, 2021, to the following contracts for the provision of wraparound mental health services, increasing the total combined contract amount by \$14,598,344, from \$118,983,435 to \$133,581,779, and extend the contract for an additional six months, for the total contract period of July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2021:

1. Lutheran Social Services of Southern California, **Contract No. 16-403**, increasing the total contract amount by \$1,275,000, from \$10,950,000 to \$12,225,000.
2. Mental Health Systems, Inc., **Contract No. 16-404**, increasing the total contract amount by \$1,115,000, from \$7,850,000 to \$8,965,000.
3. Mountain Counseling & Training, Inc., **Contract No. 16-405**, increasing the total contract amount by \$255,000, from \$2,100,000 to \$2,355,000.
4. South Coast Community Services, **Contract No. 16-406**, increasing the total contract amount by \$4,853,344, from \$39,233,435 to \$44,086,779.
5. Uplift Family Services, **Contract No. 16-407**, increasing the total contract amount by \$2,775,000, from \$24,600,000 to \$27,375,000.
6. Victor Community Support Services, Inc., **Contract No. 16-408**, increasing the total contract amount by \$4,325,000, from \$34,250,000 to \$38,575,000.

(Presenter: Veronica Kelley, Director, 388-0801)

**COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES**

**Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.**

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

This item does not impact Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). The increase of \$14,598,344 will be funded by a combination of Medi-Cal Federal Financial Participation (FFP), Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), and 2011 Realignment. Adequate appropriation and revenue will be included in the Department of Behavioral Health's (DBH) 2021-22 recommended budget.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Wraparound mental health services include two types of services: Senate Bill (SB) 163 Wraparound services and Comprehensive Children and Family Support Services (CCFSS) Wraparound services. These specialized services are provided almost exclusively in the field and designed to stabilize children/youth to enable them to remain in their homes, rather than moving to a group home placement. Each provider has a specific responsibility and role within

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the County's treatment delivery system. The availability of wraparound mental health services assists in meeting the needs of children/youth who have contact with the Probation Department and Children and Family Services and are at-risk of placement. For the period of July 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021, DBH anticipates approximately 1,134 youth will be served at an estimated cost of \$12,873 per child/youth.

DBH is responsible for providing mental health and/or substance use disorder services to San Bernardino County residents who are experiencing major mental illness and/or a substance use disorder. An integral part of the service delivery system consists of County operated and contracted service providers delivering a variety of mental health treatment services, including specialized services for children/youth that are at risk of being placed in a group home.

SB 163 identifies wraparound services as an intensive, community based, family-centered, strength-based, needs-driven process designed to allow children with serious behavior and/or emotional difficulties to remain in their community or be placed in the lowest level of care possible instead of being placed in a group home setting. CCFSS Wraparound Services are directed towards children, youth, and their families who are not eligible for the more extensive SB 163 Wraparound services. These services target children/youth who experience emotional disturbances, co-occurring disorders, and whose family's yearly income is 200 percent or less of the federal poverty level.

The recommended amendments to the contracts providing mental health services will increase the total combined contract amount by \$14,598,344, and extend the contracts by six months through December 31, 2021. DBH is requesting the extension in order to complete the procurement process under way for these services. A number of staff have been unavailable during the COVID-19 pandemic, which significantly affected the program.

### **PROCUREMENT**

On June 14, 2016 (Item No. 23), as result of a procurement, the Board of Supervisors (Board) approved contracts with the agencies listed in the Recommendation to provide wraparound mental health services, in a combined amount not to exceed \$60,590,061, for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019. The contracts included the option to extend for two one-year periods contingent upon the availability of funding and contractor performance.

On April 30, 2019 (Item No. 25), the Board approved Amendment No. 1 to the contracts, increasing the total combined contract amount by \$20,196,687, from \$60,590,061 to \$80,786,748, and exercising the first one-year option to extend the contracts through June 30, 2020.

On July 23, 2019 (Item No. 11), the Board approved Amendment No. 2 to the contracts, increasing the total combined contract amount by \$9,000,000, from \$80,786,748 to \$89,786,748, with no change to the total contract period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2020.

On November 5, 2019 (Item No. 12), the Board approved Amendment No. 3 to the contracts, increasing the total combined contract amount by \$29,196,687, from \$89,786,748 to \$118,983,435, and extending the contract term through June 30, 2021, for a total contract period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2021.

Amendment No. 4 will extend the contracts for wraparound mental health services through December 31, 2021. DBH will continue to monitor contract performance on a regular basis to ensure compliance standards are met.

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**REVIEW BY OTHERS**

This item has been reviewed by Behavioral Health Contracts (Ellayna Hoatson, Contract Supervisor, 388-0858) on April 22, 2021; County Counsel (Dawn Martin, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on April 29, 2021; Finance (Christopher Lange, Administrative Analyst, 386-8393) on April 28, 2021; and County Finance and Administration (Tanya Bratton, Deputy Executive Officer, 388-0332) on April 28, 2021.

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Record of Action of the Board of Supervisors  
County of San Bernardino

**APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)**

Moved: Joe Baca, Jr. Seconded: Janice Rutherford  
Ayes: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.), Janice Rutherford, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY   
DATED: May 18, 2021



cc: DBH- Phillips w/agree  
Contractor- C/O DBH w/agree  
File- w/agree  
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