

Monterey County

Item No.

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Board Report

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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

This Mental Health Services Agreement with Aspiranet replaces Agreement A-13918 which expires on June 30, 2022. Aspiranet will continue to provide Therapeutic Behavioral Services (TBS) to Monterey County children who are eligible for Medi-Cal and meet criteria for medical necessity. These services are available to children with difficult behaviors who require one-to-one assistance and who may be at risk of psychiatric hospitalization. TBS is an intensive one-to-one, face-to-face, short term outpatient treatment intervention for beneficiaries under age 21 with serious emotional disturbances (SED) who are experiencing stressful transition or life crisis and need additional short-term specific support services.

Aspiranet will also continue to provide Home Alternatives to Residential Treatment (HART) services to Monterey County children who are receiving Special Education Services through their Individual Education Plan (IEP) and have been identified by their IEP teams as being at imminent risk of residential treatment. HART services provide highly individualized, intensive case management and

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one-to-one behavioral intervention that address the social emotional needs presenting barriers to academic success. HART services are an additional resource to the Monterey County educational system to serve children with emotional needs.

This Agreement contains the County's standard 30-day "no cause" provision (Section IV, B) and an additional defunding provision (Section IV, D), which provides the County the ability to amend or terminate the Agreement in the event of a reduction and/or termination of funding.

This work supports the following Monterey County Health Department 2018-2022 Strategic Plan Goal: 3. Ensure access to culturally and linguistically appropriate, customer-friendly, quality health services. It also supports one of the ten essential public health services, specifically: 7. Link people to needed personal health services and assure the provisions of health care when otherwise unavailable.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Office of the County Counsel and Auditor-Controller have reviewed and approved this Agreement as to legal form and fiscal provisions, respectively.

FINANCING:

Economic Development:

☐ Public Safety:

This Agreement is funded by Federal Financial Participation (36%), Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (20%), and Special Education Local Plan Area (44%). The funds for this Agreement (\$686,495) are included the Health Department's Behavioral Health (HEA012, Unit 8410) Fiscal Year 2022-23 Recommended Budget. Transactions relating to future fiscal years will be included in each respective Recommended Budget.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

Check the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives:

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•	Through collaboration, strengthen economic development to ensure a diversified and healthy
	economy.
☐ Administration:	
•	Promote an organization that practices efficient and effective resource management and is recognized for responsiveness, strong customer orientation, accountability and transparency.
⊠Hea	lth & Human Services:
	Improve health and quality of life through County supported policies, programs, and services; promoting access to equitable opportunities for healthy choices and healthy environments in collaboration with communities.
☐ Infrastructure:	
•	Plan and develop a sustainable, physical infrastructure that improves the quality of life for County residents and supports economic development results.
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Create a safe environment for people to achieve their potential, leading businesses and communities to thrive and grow by reducing violent crimes as well as crimes in general.

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Attachment:

Agreement