



County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors
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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:

In FY 2012-13, the Monterey County Office of Education (MCOE) SELPA will subcontract with Monterey County Behavioral Health to provide outpatient mental health services to students. The legal obligation of providing mental health services to special education students was transferred from Monterey County to the SELPA who has requested that Monterey County Behavioral Health (MCBH) be the provider of said services. Monterey County Behavioral Health Bureau staff has been providing services to special education students throughout the fiscal year and will continue to do so through next FY 2013-14.

This year's SELPA MOU took almost an entire school year to negotiate given the changes in state law transferring the legal obligation to provide mental health services to special education students under the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) from the counties to the school districts.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Behavioral Health staff has been working closely with County Counsel in developing the MOU and IA. County Counsel, Risk Management, and the Auditor-Controller have reviewed this Agreement as to legal form, legality, indemnity, insurance requirements, and fiscal provisions respectively. A copy of this Agreement is on file with the Clerk to the Board.

FINANCING:

The Educational Related Mental Health program is funded by Medi-Cal (\$1,100,000), Mental Health Services Act (\$95,000) and SELPA (\$2,300,000).

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Attachments:

SELPA MOU on file with Clerk of the Board

IA on file with Clerk of the Board

