



# County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors  
Chambers  
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Salinas, CA 93901

## Board Report

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- a. Approve and authorize the Director of Health to sign a three year term (July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2017) Mental Health Services Agreement with Psynergy Programs, Inc. for the provision of mental health services for Monterey County adult residents with severe psychiatric disabilities in the amount of \$1,162,105 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-15, \$1,162,105 for FY 2015-16, and \$1,162,105 for FY 2016-17 for a total Agreement amount of \$3,486,316; and
- b. Authorize the Director of Health to approve up to three future amendments to this Agreement where the amendments do not exceed 10% of the original Agreement amount and do not significantly change the scope of work.

### RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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### SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Psynergy Programs, Inc. operates two (2) licensed residential care facilities: 1) Cielo Vista, located in the City of Greenfield, which provides the maximum levels of care to assist clients who are at risk of being admitted to a facility requiring a higher level of care, and 2) Nueva Vista, located in the City of Morgan Hill, which provides intensive levels of care for clients recently discharged from locked skilled facilities. The Psynergy Programs, Inc. residential care facilities provide normalizing experiences and supervision necessary for clients with serious and persistent mental illnesses.

This Agreement continues the past relationship with Psynergy Programs, Inc. providing for a continuum of existing services, serving current Monterey County clients. The approval of this Agreement will provide the necessary resources and increase the options for clients to be placed in a facility that best suits their needs and to live in the least restrictive community setting as possible. This Agreement meets the requirements of the State Welfare and Institutions Code 5600 (Bronzan-McCorquodale Act), the California Code of Regulations Titles 9 and 22, and sustains the continuity of core services to seriously mentally ill clients of Monterey County.

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 Monterey County Health Department 2011-2015 strategic plan initiative: 3) Ensure access to culturally and linguistically appropriate, customer-friendly, quality health services. It also supports

two of the ten essential public health services, specifically: 4) Mobilize community partnerships and action to identify and solve health problems, and 6) Enforce laws and regulations that protect health and ensure safety.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The County Counsel, Auditor-Controller, and Risk Management have reviewed and approved this Agreement as to legal form, fiscal provisions, and insurance requirements. Agreement is on file with Clerk of the Board.

FINANCING

This Agreement is funded by Realignment (81%) and Medi-Cal (19%) revenues. The funds for this Agreement (\$1,162,105) are included in the Health Department's Behavioral Health (HEA12, Unit 8410) Fiscal Year 2014-15 Requested Budget.

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Attachment:

Agreement is on file with Clerk of the Board