



# 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:**

Seneca Family of Agencies dba Kinship Center provides mental health services to Monterey County children and youth and their families and/or caregivers who are in foster care, require aid to adoption, or are in adoption preservation. The programs promote improvement in the child's overall functioning within his/her family, school, peer group and community; a reduction in the risk of mental health disabilities, an improvement with family member's mental health and well-being to improve the child's mental health functioning; and a reduction in the possibility of future residential care, periodic inpatient hospitalization, placement at out of state facilities, or placement in a juvenile justice facility.

This Amendment No 2 revises Programs 1, 2, 5, and 6, terminates Programs 3 and 4, and adds a new Program 7: Mental Health Enhanced Foster Care. The new Mental Health Enhanced Foster program includes Therapeutic Foster Care which allows for home-based care for youth with complex needs. Children or youth in the program are placed in homes with an approved resource parent and linkage to supportive community-based services to prevent placement disruption and to build natural support systems around a youth with intensive 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 Initiative: 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:**

County Counsel-Risk Management and Auditor-Controller have reviewed and approved as to legal form and fiscal provisions respectively.

**FINANCING:**

This Agreement is funded by Mental Health Federal Financial Participation (MH FFP) (50%), 2011 Realignment-Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) (28%), Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) (16%), California Health Facilities Financing Authority (CHFFA) (5%), and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) (1%) . The funds for FY 2019-20 have been included in the Health Department's Behavioral Health Bureau (HEA012, Unit 8410) FY 2019-20 Adopted Budget. The funds for this Agreement for FY 2020-21 and FY 2021-2022 will be included in the respective Health Department Health (HEA012, Unit 8410) FY 2020-21 and FY 2021-22 Requested Budgets.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:**

Check the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives:

☐ Economic Development:

- 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.

☒ Health & 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.

☐ Public Safety:

- 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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Approved by:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Elsa Mendoza Jimenez, Director of Health, 755-4526

**Attachments:**

Amendment No 2 is on file with Clerk of the Board

Amendment No 1 is on file with Clerk of the Board

Agreement is on file with Clerk of the Board