

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Behavioral Health And Recovery Services

BOARD AGENDA # *B-2c

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE August 12, 2014

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO

(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

Approval to Issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Provision of Mental Health Services for Children

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Authorize the General Services Agency (GSA) Purchasing Division to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) on behalf of Behavioral Health and Recovery Services for the provision of mental health services for children for the contract period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 with an option to renew then agreement on a year-to-year basis up to a maximum of four additional years, and to include Children's Home Based services, Attention Deficient Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) services, Outpatient services, Early Intervention Program services, Day Treatment services, Non-Public Schools Outpatient Program services and Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) services.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This RFP will be issued in the first 6 months of Fiscal Year 2014-2015 with an expectation that contract award will begin effective July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. As a result, appropriations and corresponding revenues will be included in the Behavioral Health and Recovery Services Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Budget submission. Currently the contract's maximum is \$2,944,889 in Fiscal Year 2014-2015 and is funded from 2011 Realignment and Medi-Cal funds. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2014-414

On motion of Supervisor Withdraw, Seconded by Supervisor Chiesa

and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Chiesa, Withdraw, Monteith, and Chairman De Martini

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

1) X Approved as recommended

2) _____ Denied

3) _____ Approved as amended

4) _____ Other:

MOTION:

ATTEST: Elizabeth A. King
ELIZABETH A. KING, Assistant Clerk

File No.

DISCUSSION:

Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) contracts with numerous individuals and agencies to provide mental health services to Stanislaus County residents. In most cases, individuals and agencies are selected through a competitive process, which takes into account specific expertise, as well as cost efficiency. Agreements are renewed based on a demonstrated ability to deliver required outcomes effectively, along with availability of funding. While a number of agencies have successful, long term partnering relationships with BHRS, all major provider agreements continue to be reviewed and, consistent with Board of Supervisors' direction, competitive bids will be sought periodically.

The Department currently provides mental health services for children via contract. These services include Childrens' Home Based services, Attention Deficient Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) services, Outpatient services, Early Intervention Program services, Day Treatment services, Non-Public Schools Outpatient Program services and Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) services. The current agreement has been in place since July 1, 2014 and is set to expire on June 30, 2015.

Behavioral Health and Recovery Services is now requesting approval to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the provision of mental health services for children. It is anticipated that the RFP will result in a contract between BHRS and a qualified community partner that has experience in following the brief treatment model and is focused on treatment goals that keep children with their families, improve school attendance and academic functioning, and improve individual, family and school functioning. The procurement method will be a "best value" approach, which means that the County is prepared to award a single contract to the Proposer who offers the most cost-effective and comprehensive solution.

The Department will return to the Board upon completion of the RFP process with final contract recommendation.

POLICY ISSUES:

Approval of this request to issue an RFP supports the Board's priorities of A Healthy Community, Effective Partnerships and Efficient Delivery of Public Services by providing services through a vendor partnership that provides mental health services in the community.

STAFFING IMPACT:

Existing Behavioral Health and Recovery Services and Purchasing staff are available to support this RFP process.

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