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# NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS **Board Agenda Letter**

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

FROM: Shelli Brobst for Randolph F. Snowden - Director

Health & Human Services

**REPORT BY:** Shelli Brobst, Contracts Analyst, 253-4720

SUBJECT: Agreements with Aldea, Inc. (Children's Behavioral Health-Child Welfare Services Programs

[CBH/CWS] and CAPIT)

#### RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the following agreements with Aldea, Inc.:

- 1. New agreement for a maximum of \$5,000 for the term January 24, 2006 through June 30, 2006 to provide counseling services in the Children's Behavioral Health and Child Welfare Services Programs; and
- Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 2100 incorporating agency-wide changes to the General Terms and Conditions, revising the Scope of Work to add psychologists as clinical treatment providers, and revising the rate of compensation payable to the contractor to provide therapeutic services to clients in the Child Welfare Services Program.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### New Agreement:

Approval of this agreement will enable Aldea to provide psychotherapy and psychological services to children and their families who are clients of the Child Welfare Services or Children's Behavioral Health Programs.

# Amendment No. 1 to Agreement 2100:

Aldea provides therapy services for children in which child abuse and/or neglect have occurred. The amendment adds psychologists to the list of clinical treatment providers and revises the hourly rate of compensation. The increase in the hourly rate will be absorbed within the Contractor's existing budget.

# **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes

Is it currently budgeted? Yes

Where is it budgeted? Mental Health

Social Services

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Mandatory

Is the general fund affected? Yes

Future fiscal impact: Although these agreements terminate June 30, 2006, the agreements contain

an automatic renewal, which allows the County to continue these services into

the next fiscal year. Appropriations will be budgeted accordingly.

Consequences if not approved: Aldea provides mandatory services under both agreements. If the amendment

to Agreement No. 2100 is not approved, Aldea will not receive an increase in its hourly rate from \$65/per hour to \$85/per hour. The increase to the hourly rates is consistent with the rates HHSA has established with all its contract

providers for this fiscal year.

Additional Information: None.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

# BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

#### New Agreement:

The new agreement with Aldea will provide mandated counseling services for children and families who are not in the County's Medi-Cal managed care program, either, because they are not Medi-Cal eligible or because it is not practical for them to go through the managed care system (e.g., there is a pre-existing relationship with a non-managed care therapist). Children and families receiving services under this contract come to HHSA through one of two "doors"—the Child Protective Services (CPS) "door" through a court order or the mental health "door" through an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) from the local school system.

#### Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 2100:

Aldea currently provides evaluation of treatment needs and therapy to families in which child abuse and/or neglect have occurred. Services and activities identified in this contract are designed to help the County achieve the goals and objectives stated in its Child Abuse Intervention and Treatment/Community-based Family Resources and Support (CAPIT/CBFRS) Plan. Therapy services include the individual treatment of parents and children, family therapy and group therapy for families at high risk of abuse or neglect (particulary those with children 0-5 years old). Consultation to school personnel are provided too. Also included in this agreement is the Supportive and Therapeutic Options Program (S.T.O.P.), which provides services to children who are at risk of out-of-home placements. The agreement is being amended to incorporate agency-wide changes to the General Terms and Conditions, to revise the Scope of Work to include psychologists as clinical treatment providers, and to increase the hourly rate at which the contractor is reimbursed this fiscal year.

The department has an executed Business Associate agreement on file with this provider.

# **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Lorenzo Zialcita