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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: JoAnn Melgar for Mary Butler - Interim Director
Health & Human Services Administration
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SUBJECT: Agreement with Ever Well Health Systems, LLC

RECOMMENDATION

Interim Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign an agreement with Ever Well Health Systems, LLC for an annual maximum of \$200,000 for the term August 15, 2018 through June 30, 2019 and each automatic renewal thereof with the final renewal period concluding June 30, 2023 to provide adult residential care facilities for Health and Human Services Agency clients who are unable to stay in traditional board and care community placements.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of today's requested action is to approve an agreement with Ever Well Health Systems, LLC (Ever Well) for an annual contract maximum of \$200,000 for the term August 15, 2018 through June 30, 2019 and each automatic renewal thereof with the final renewal period concluding on June 30, 2023. Ever Well was chosen because of their specialty residential program for older adults. If approved, this agreement will begin on August 15, 2018 because the Mental Health staff had to make an emergency placement of an older adult client at this facility in August 2018.

Ever Well is not a local vendor. There are no facilities of this type in Napa County.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes

Where is it budgeted?	Health & Human Services Mental Health Budget Unit 20002
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Mandatory
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	Although the contract terminates June 30, 2019, it contains an automatic renewal provision allowing the County the option to continue the services in the next fiscal year should services continue to be requested. Appropriations for future fiscal years will be budgeted accordingly.
Consequences if not approved:	If this agreement is not approved Napa County Mental Health will not have the ability to place clients at this providers' facilities.
Additional Information:	While this specific facility was not budgeted there are sufficient appropriations in the Residential Treatment line in the Mental Health budget to cover costs incurred for this facility.

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

Ever Well Health Systems, LLC operates both Adult Residential Facilities (ARF) and Residential Facilities for the Elderly (RCFE) throughout California. The residential care facilities provide long-term stable housing for individuals who are unable to stay in traditional board and care community placements because their mental health symptoms and/or behaviors prevent them from functioning at the level of independence required in other programs. These programs serve as a less costly, community-based alternative to long-term locked settings and are often utilized as a step down for individuals coming out of long-term locked settings in order to better prepare the individual for a successful reentry into the community.

Ever Well facilities are located in Stockton, along the Delta, and into Central California. These are close to Napa County compared to other facilities that Napa County Mental Health contracts with for these type of placements. Utilizing facilities like this have proven successful in providing placement to some clients who would otherwise be institutionalized.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Ben Guerrieri