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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
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Health & Human Services
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SUBJECT: Approval of the Child Abuse Prevention, Intervention, and Treatment (CAPIT) Community Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBACP) and Promoting Safe and Stable Families (PSSF) Plan

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests the following:

1. Approval of the combined Child Abuse Prevention, Intervention and Treatment (CAPIT), Community Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP), and Promoting Safe and Stable Families (PSSF) Plan for State Fiscal Years 2005-2008; and
2. Authorization for the Chair to sign the Notice of Intent to contract with non-profit agencies for the provision of primary prevention services.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Napa County applies for and receives CAPIT/CBCAP/PSSF funding from the State based on a three-year county plan approved by the California Department of Social Services Office of Child Abuse Prevention. The requested actions provide Board approval of the Plan for the 2005-2008 funding cycle. To achieve the outcomes identified in this three-year Plan, Health and Human Services will contract with local non-profit agencies via a Request for Proposal.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Social Services
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Mandatory

Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	The CAPIT/CBCAP/PSSF Plan is a combined three-year plan submitted in compliance with the requirements of the Office of Child Abuse Prevention (OCAP) and the State Fiscal Years 2005-2008 funding cycle.
Consequences if not approved:	The County will not be able to fully implement the State-approved Child Welfare Services System Improvement Plan, and allocated funds will revert to the State.
Additional Information:	<p>The CAPIT program is funded entirely by State General Fund, subject to approval in the annual state budget process. The CBCAP and PSSF programs are entirely federally-funded and subject to the annual federal budget process.</p> <p>The PSSF program is mandatory. PSSF funding represents approximately 50% of the funding included in the three-year county plan. The CAPIT and CBCAP programs are discretionary. Contracts funded by PSSF/CAPIT/CBCAP are reviewed annually. If funding is reduced, the contracts will be adjusted accordingly.</p>

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

The CAPIT/CBCAP/PSSF plan consists of the the following programs:

- | CAPIT (Child Abuse Prevention, Intervention and Treatment): The program funds prevention programs through non-profit agencies providing services to isolated families, particularly those with children five years and younger, high-quality home visiting programs based on research-based models of best practice, and services to child victims of crime.
- | CBCAP (Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Grant): Recipients seek to expand community-based family resource and support programs. Participants are required to have a process that ensures meaningful involvement by parents as consumers in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of services. Participants are required to explore methods of leveraging resources to maximize available funds.
- | PSSF (Promoting Safe and Stable Families): The funding is used to support home visiting services provided by Cope Family Center.

Napa County Health and Human Services Agency is soliciting proposals for the above programs in order to accomplish improvements in five key child abuse prevention areas. The areas for improvement were established under the state-approved Child Welfare Services System Improvement Plan (SIP). The five areas are:

- | Through home visits, assist at-risk families in making improvements needed to maintain children in their homes.
- | Through family group conferencing, fully engage at-risk families in planning and in making the changes necessary to ensure the health and safety of their children.
- | Expand training and support programs that have been implemented for foster parents to reach a larger

number of adoptive parents and relative caregivers.

- | Strengthen the support system for parenting by increasing mentoring skills among professionals and by training and supporting mentors for foster parents, birth parents, relative caregivers, and adoptive parents.
- | Establish an easily accessed system for providing respite care for all parents who care for children with special needs, including foster children whose current situation is causing severe emotional distress.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Lorenzo Zialcita