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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: Memorandum of Understandings with Napa County Office of Education (CATALYST Project & AB

3632)

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the following two Memoranda of Understandings with the Napa County Office of Education:

- 1. A Memorandum of Understanding for the term January 3, 2005 through June 30, 2005 setting forth funding requirements for Assembly Bill 3632 mental health services; and
- 2. A Memorandum of Understanding for the term July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2008 for participation in a grant submitted by the Napa County Office of Education to the Drug Free Communities Support Program for operation of the CATALYST Project.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Assembly Bill 3632 (AB 3632):

AB 3632 is a State program that requires the County to provide free mental health services to children with special education needs. For the second year, Federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) funding for these services is being passed from the Federal government through the State to the Napa County Office of Education (NCOE), and then to Napa County Health and Human Services Agency. This MOU provides the vehicle for the transfer of funds from NCOE to the County for the provision of these mandated services.

CATALYST Project:

The Napa County Office of Education is applying for a grant from the Drug Free Communities Program for operation of the CATALYST Project. The Memorandum of Understanding defines HHSA's role in program planning, sharing data within the limits of confidentiality, attendance at quarterly meetings, and participation in training and technical assistance.

FISCAL IMPACT

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

Where is it budgeted? Behavioral Health

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Mandatory

Is the general fund affected? Yes

Future fiscal impact: The MOU for AB 3632 services provides for mandated services and terminates

June 30, 2005. The MOU for the CATALYST Project provides for discretionary

services and terminates June 30, 2008.

Consequences if not approved: AB 3632: The Napa County Office of Education would not be able to

transfer federal IDEA funds to HHSA for the provision of mandated mental health services. Without this funding, the County would be unable to fulfill the

requirements of the mandate.

CATALYST Project: The Napa County Office of Education may not receive the

funding from the Drug Free Communities Program.

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

The AB 3632 MOU with NCOE provides partial funding (\$413,000) for mandated mental health services provided by Napa County HHSA to children who are identified by the schools and provided with Individualized Education Plans (IEPs). Once this allocation is exhausted, Napa County will claim remaining AB 3632 expenditures to the State through the SB 90 claim process (the process by which the State is obligated to reimburse Counties for unfunded State mandates). Currently, the State has deferred reimbursement for all SB 90 claims. Approval of the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 MOU was delayed because of uncertainties regarding available funding for AB 3632 services. The Governor has proposed suspending the mandate for counties to provide these services in Fiscal Year 2005-2006; however, the State ultimately may retain the mandate and provide additional funding to counties to provide AB 3632 services.

The CATALYST Project (Collaborative Action Tackles All Life-threatening Youth Substance Abuse Targets) is a community-wide, collaborative grant initiated by the Napa County Office of Education through the Drug Free Communities Support Program. The Napa Valley CATALYST project is designed to promote resiliency and reduce the risk of youth abuse of tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs through community-wide, collaborative action. The project will enhance and augment the work of the existing Safe Schools/Healthy Students Collaborative to identify needs, build capacity, and plan, implement and evaluate appropriate, effective interventions and activities. If successful, the funding would provide \$8,000 for the Friday Night Live Program. Friday Night Live is administered

by Napa County through a contract with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Napa Valley. The funding would be provided directly to the Boys and Girls Clubs of Napa Valley. Napa County Office of Education seeks HHSA involvement in the oversight of the grant activities, provision of alcohol and drug problem data, and participation in training and technical assistance. The MOU articulates the manner in which HHSA would be involved in the grant.

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

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Meegan Condon