NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: JoAnn Melgar for Jennifer Yasumoto - Director
Health & Human Services Administration

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SUBJECT: Amendment No. 2 to Agreement with North Valley Behavioral Health, LLC

RECOMMENDATION
Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. 160075B with North Valley Behavioral Health, LLC with no change to the contract maximum, replacing the compensation Exhibit B to include the revised all-inclusive day rate for admissions commencing in Fiscal Year 2019-2020 and each automatic renewal thereof to provide inpatient psychiatric hospitalization services.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
North Valley Behavioral Health, LLC located in Yuba City, California provides high quality, efficient, effective, culturally competent, and timely acute psychiatric inpatient services to adult patients referred by Napa County Health and Human Services Agency’s Mental Health Division.

The last rate on file for this provider is from Fiscal Year 2017-2018 at a rate of $875 per day. This Amendment will replace Exhibit B and all previous versions of Exhibit B with Exhibit B-2 to include the 2019-2020 rate of $895 per day. Per state regulation, Psychiatric Hospital Facilities are allowed to raise their rates annually by a regulated percentage as determined by the State.

Approval of this action will also modify Section 1-Contract Administration subparagraph 1.4 to change the name of the program manager to the name of the current Deputy Director/Mental Health Division Deputy Director and incorporate Section 3-Specific Term and Condition 3.4 to delegate authority to the Director of Health and Human Services Agency to approve amendments to the Scope of Work (Exhibit A) and Compensation (Exhibit B-2) provided the contract maximum does not change and no new services are added. There is no change to the contract maximum of $300,000, which can accommodate the $20 per day increase in the daily rate.
North Valley Behavioral Health, LLC is not a local vendor. There are very limited placement options for individuals with severe mental illness that require a higher level of care.

**FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT**

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<td>Health &amp; Human Services Mental Health 20002-00</td>
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<td>Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?</td>
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Future fiscal impact: This Agreement contains a provision for automatic annual renewal and appropriations have been included in the approved Fiscal Year 2019-2020 budget. Appropriations for future fiscal years will be budgeted accordingly.

Consequences if not approved: If not approved, it would severely limit the agency's capacity to provide mandated inpatient psychiatric hospitalization services resulting in extended stays in the agency's Crisis Stabilization Services Program for clients who are at risk of harm to themselves or others.

County Strategic Plan pillar addressed: Healthy, Safe, and Welcoming Place to Live, Work, and Visit

Additional Information:

**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**

North Valley Behavioral Health, LLC provides inpatient psychiatric services to stabilize adult uninsured and Medi-Cal beneficiaries who are deemed to be an imminent risk to themselves or others or who are gravely disabled because of a mental disorder. This is an acute, psychiatric, inpatient, locked facility. Clients can only be referred to this facility by Napa County Mental Health's Crisis Stabilization Services Program after being fully evaluated to be appropriate for this type of placement.

Contracting with this facility helps to ensure that psychiatric inpatient resources are available for Napa County clients in the event that more locally-based facilities are not able to accept referrals due to capacity or other issues. This facility's rates are comparable to other inpatient hospitals the County contracts with and are all-inclusive rates. Rates are the same for both Medi-Cal and uninsured clients. Medi-Cal inpatient psychiatric hospital services are mandated whereas these services for indigent clients are not mandated. Approval of this Amendment will incorporate a rate increase for the facility's day rate for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 and each subsequent renewal.
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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Ben Guerrieri