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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

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Health & Human Services Administration

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SUBJECT: Amendment No. 1 to Agreement with Ever Well Health Systems, LLC

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 190166B with Ever Well Health Systems, LLC increasing the amount by \$50,000 for a new annual maximum of \$250,000 for the term July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, and each automatic renewal thereof, amending the Specific Terms and Conditions and Compensation Exhibits 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 amendment to an agreement with Ever Well Health Systems, LLC (Ever Well) to:

- 1. Increase the annual contract maximum by \$50,000 for a new annual maximum of \$250,000 to accommodate increased utilization by the older adult population:
- 2. Modify Section 1-Contract Administration subparagraphs 1.4 to change the name of the program manager to the name of the current Deputy Director/Mental Health Division Deputy Director;
- 3. Delete Specific Term and Condition 3.4 to allow this Agreement to automatically renew;
- 4. Incorporate Section 3--Specific Terms and Conditions 3.5 to delegate authority to the Director of Health and Human Services to approve future amendments to Exhibits A and B-1, provided that any such amendment does not add a new services to be provided or increase the maximum compensation available under this Agreement; and
- 5. Replace Exhibit B with Exhibit B-1 (Compensation) to incorporate the increased rates commencing in Fiscal Year 2019-2020 and each automatic renewal thereof.

Ever Well was chosen because of their specialty residential program for older adults. Ever Well is not a local vendor. There are no facilities of this type in Napa County.

FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN 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?

Future fiscal impact: This Agreement contains a provision for automatic renewal.

Appropriations have been included in the approved Fiscal Year 2019-2020 budget and future fiscal years will be budgeted accordingly.

Consequences if not approved: There are few facilities near Napa County with expertise is providing

community based residential specialty mental health services for the older adult population. If this amendment is not approved, Napa County Mental Health will not have the ability to place clients at this provider's facilities, possibly resulting in individuals being placed in a

more costly and locked institutional setting.

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

Ever Well Health Systems, LLC ("Ever Well") operates both Adult Residential Facilities (ARF) and Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly (RCFE) throughout California. The residential care facilities provides 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 in Central California. These are relatively close to Napa County compared to other facilities for these type of placements.

Today's proposed amendment will increase the annual contract maximum to accommodate increased utilization for our older adult population and replace Exhibit B with Exhibit B-1 to incorporate rates for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Ben Guerrieri