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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Shelli Brobst for Randolph F. Snowden - Director
Health & Human Services
REPORT BY: Shelli Brobst, Contracts Analyst, 253-4720
SUBJECT: Amendment No. 1 to Agreement with Allen, Shea & Associates (Mental Health Services Act)

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 6410 with Allen, Shea & Associates increasing the amount by \$40,000 for a new maximum of \$70,000 to assist in planning for the implementation of additional components of the Mental Health Services Act (Proposition 63) in Napa County.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Under this agreement, Allen, Shea & Associates serves as a consultant to Napa County on the planning and implementation of the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA - Proposition 63) Plan. Approval of the requested action will increase the maximum amount of the agreement to allow the contractor to conduct additional data collection and analyses related to the Napa County MHSA Integrated Plan. Additional contractor time is needed to conduct research, compile statistics and reports, and provide recommendations for additional components of the Prevention and Early Intervention, Workforce Development, Capital and Technology, and Housing components of the MHSA.

FISCAL IMPACT

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| Is there a Fiscal Impact? | Yes |
| Is it currently budgeted? | Yes |
| Where is it budgeted? | Mental Health Substance Abuse Services |
| Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? | Discretionary |
| Discretionary Justification: | The requested action is discretionary in that there is no mandate to have this |

contract. However, the County has received additional Mental Health Services Act funding to plan for further phases of the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Integrated Plan and has received funding from the Napa County Office of Education for another project to develop strategies related to the Prevention and Early Intervention Phase of MHSA. Approval of the requested action will allow Allen, Shea & Associates to provide additional consultation services to the County for further community planning and implementation of the MHSA Integrated Plan.

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: Although the agreement terminates June 30, 2007, the agreement contains an automatic renewal provision, which allows the County the option to continue these services into the next fiscal year. Appropriations are accordingly included in the Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services budget request for Fiscal Year 2007-2008.

Consequences if not approved: County staff do not have the necessary experience nor time available to complete planning activities needed to meet the requirements of the MHSA Integrated Plan. Non-approval of the requested action will thus limit the County's ability to draw down MHSA funding for increased community mental health services.

Additional Information: These amendments are being completed at this time because Napa County only recently received the new funding authority from NCOE and the Mental Health Services Act.

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

Allen, Shea and Associates serve as consultants to Napa County in relation to the planning and implementation processes for the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA). The MHSA was passed by the voters in November 2004. It provides funding to expand mental health services to meet the needs of severely mentally ill persons not currently served by existing resources. To access and maintain this funding, the County must submit and implement specific plans for each funding component of the MHSA to the Department of Mental Health. The plans must be developed and implemented with significant, meaningful input from stakeholder groups.

Approval of the requested action will increase the contract maximum to expand the number of consultation hours needed to continue planning for components of Napa County's MHSA Integrated Plan. The planning activities will include:

(1) Data collection and analysis of the mental health needs of school age youth and recommendations of best practice approaches to deliver school-based mental health prevention and early intervention services and linkages to mental health treatment. This component is funded by a grant that Napa County Office of Education (NCOE) received and is passing through to the County via an MOU approved by the Board on April 24, 2007. NCOE requested that HHS perform these grant activities, which will provide valuable data related to HHS's ongoing

MHSA planning and implementation efforts for the Prevention and Early Intervention phase. In keeping with the community involvement provision of the MHSA, HHSA determined that this contractor is the most effective provider to complete the necessary research and data collection for this new activity, based on its prior experience with community program planning for the MHSA in Napa County.

(2) Continued data collection, recommendations and planning activities for the next phases of the MHSA implementation. This component is funded by additional MHSA community planning funds being released by the State.

Allen, Shea & Associates is not a health care provider for purposes of HIPAA. This position is taken because there is no use or disclosure of protected health information by or to the vendor under these agreements.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Lorenzo Zialcita