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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Alice Hughey for Randy Snowden - Director
Health & Human Services
REPORT BY: Shelli Brobst, Contracts Analyst, 253-4720
SUBJECT: Memorandum of Understanding with Napa County Office of Education (AB 3632)

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Napa County Office of Education for the term July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006 relating to funding and service requirements for Assembly Bill 3632 mental health services.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Assembly Bill 3632 is a state program which requires counties to provide free mental health services to children with special education needs in order for them to benefit from their education. Federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) funding for these services is 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 Memorandum of Understanding provides the vehicle for the transfer of funds from NCOE to the County for the provision of these mandated mental health services.

FISCAL IMPACT

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| Is there a Fiscal Impact? | Yes |
| Is it currently budgeted? | Yes |
| Where is it budgeted? | Mental Health |
| Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? | Mandatory |
| Is the general fund affected? | No |
| Future fiscal impact: | The Memorandum of Understanding terminates June 30, 2006. |
| Consequences if not approved: | If this Memorandum of Understanding is not approved, the County will not |

receive available federal funding for mandated AB 3632 services provided to eligible students by HHSA's Mental Health Division.

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 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Napa County Office of Education (NCOE) will provide funding for mandated mental health services in accordance with AB 3632. These services are provided by Napa County HHSA to students referred by the schools, as may be specified in the student's Individualized Education Plan (IEP) prepared by the schools. The services to be provided are intended to enable the students to benefit from their education despite their mental health challenges.

Approval of the requested action will allow NCOE to reimburse HHSA for the cost of providing mandated mental health services to AB 3632 eligible students this current fiscal year. The Fiscal Year 2005-2006 MOU was delayed because of uncertainties regarding available funding for AB 3632 services, new state AB 3632 reporting requirements, and proposed legislation which would have affected the status of the state mandate. Currently, the federal allocation amount to be passed through by NCOE to HHSA for these services is \$413,051. Napa County will claim remaining Fiscal Year 2005-2006 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).

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Lorenzo Zialcita