



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 to Agreement with J. Michael Kerr, Ph.D.

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 6374 with J. Michael Kerr, Ph.D., incorporating agency-wide changes to the General Terms and Conditions and increasing the amount by \$11,000 for a new maximum of \$36,000 to provide conservatorship investigation services to clients of the Behavioral Health Program.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Dr. Kerr provides investigation services for temporary, Murphy or permanent conservatorships. Services include consultation, client interviews, review of medical and psychiatric records, report preparation, and court appearances as necessary. The amendment incorporates agency-wide changes to the General Terms and Conditions and increases the reimbursement rate and maximum dollar amount for services this fiscal year.

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:	Although the agreement terminates June 30, 2006, the agreement contains an automatic renewal, which enables the County to continue these services into the next fiscal year.

Consequences if not approved: Mandatory services will not be provided.

Additional Information: None.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

There is no Environmental Impact for this item.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The Welfare and Institutions Code (Sections 5350 and 5352) requires that the County provide an officer to investigate requests for conservatorship of mentally ill persons who are thought by their caretakers to be gravely disabled. Through this agreement, Dr. Kerr will investigate requests for conservatorship and provide recommendations to the court as to whether conservatorship is needed. Conservatorship investigations are necessary to provide the courts with the comprehensive information they need to make critical decisions regarding mentally ill persons' need for conservatorship. They also are necessary to ensure individualized treatment, supervision and placement for severely mentally ill persons unwilling to accept, or incapable of accepting, treatment voluntarily.

The amendment incorporates agency-wide changes to the General Terms and Conditions and increases the maximum dollar amount due to an agency-wide increase in provider rates and an increase in referrals.

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

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Meegan Condon