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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Shelli Brobst for Randy Snowden - Director
Health & Human Services
REPORT BY: Shelli Brobst, Contracts Analyst, 253-4720
SUBJECT: Agreement with the Department of Mental Health (CONREP)

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the renewal of Revenue Agreement No. 2390 with the California Department of Mental Health for a maximum of \$213,239 for the term July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 for the Conditional Release Program (CONREP).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Under State law, certain individuals on Penal Code commitments to State hospitals are granted conditional release into specific community treatment programs. Approval of this agreement will renew State funding for the County's Conditional Release Program (CONREP) for Fiscal Year 2006-2007.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Mental Health
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	This is a discretionary activity in that there is no mandate for the program. However, the State's Conditional Release Program (CONREP) provides a source of funding for local agencies to maintain program participants in the community by providing the mental health services they need, rather than having the participants return to a locked facility. If budgeted CONREP funds are exhausted, the County mental health program may, with prior authorization from the State Department of Mental Health, utilize prior year unexpended

CONREP funds. The Agency may also submit eligible services to Medi-Cal for reimbursement. Expenditures not reimbursed by unexpended CONREP funds (currently \$13,000) or Medi-Cal are funded by budgeted Realignment funds.

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: The agreement is renewed annually.

Consequences if not approved: If this agreement is not approved, the loss of funding would require the County to use any unexpended CONREP funds, Medi-Cal when eligible, use Realignment funds for the CONREP program instead of other programs, or discontinue the CONREP program.

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

Under the State-funded CONREP program, certain individuals on Penal Code commitments to State hospitals, certified in advance by State hospital staff, are granted conditional release into the community. The goal of the program is to reintegrate these individuals back into the community, while ensuring public protection, by providing the appropriate level of mental health services and monitoring. A County forensic mental health counselor provides an array of mental health services and closely monitors persons placed on outpatient status through the CONREP program. Approval of the requested action will enable the County to avail of State funds for this program.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Lorenzo Zialcita