



# COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

## AGENDA ITEM

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**DATE:** November 7, 2023

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

### **SUBJECT**

**AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE SOLICITATIONS, SINGLE SOURCE CONTRACT, AMENDMENTS TO EXTEND EXISTING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES CONTRACTS, AMENDMENT TO REFLECT CHANGE TO SERVICES AND INCREASE TO FUNDING, AND EXECUTE THE DRUG MEDICAL ORGANIZED DELIVERY SYSTEM INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE AND ACCEPT FUNDING (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

### **OVERVIEW**

The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health Services provides a comprehensive array of mental health and substance use services to people of all ages. These services are delivered through County-operated programs, as well as contracts with community service providers. Those served include vulnerable populations, including individuals who are experiencing homelessness, individuals with justice involvement, and children and youth with complex behavioral health needs.

Today's actions recommend the San Diego County Board of Supervisors authorize competitive solicitations, single source contract, amendments to extend existing behavioral health services contracts, and an amendment to reflect change to services and increase to funding, to sustain critical behavioral health services, with the goal of building a better behavioral health service delivery system for San Diego County's communities. These recommended actions support the continuation of critical work to advance the behavioral health continuum of care throughout San Diego County. In addition, today's actions request approval and authorization for the Clerk of the Board to execute the Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of California, upon receipt, to execute subsequent amendments, as required, to reflect revised revenue amounts allocated by the State, and to accept the funding for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 through Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

Today's actions support the County's vision of a just, sustainable, and resilient future for all, specifically, those communities and populations in San Diego County that have been historically left behind, as well as our ongoing commitment to the regional Live Well San Diego vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This will be accomplished by upholding practices that align with community priorities and improving transparency and trust while maintaining good fiscal management.

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**RECOMMENDATION(S)  
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to issue competitive solicitations for behavioral health services listed below, and upon successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, award contracts for an Initial Term of up to one year, with four 1-year Options, and up to an additional six months, if needed; and to amend the contracts to reflect changes in program, funding or service requirements, subject to the availability of funds and the approval of the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency.
  - a. Strength-Based Case Management Full Services Partnership and Institutional Case Management
  - b. Suicide Prevention, Stigma Reduction and Substance Use Prevention Multi-Media Campaign
  - c. Breaking Down Barriers Program
  - d. Transitional Residential Treatment Program
2. In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, approve and authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to enter into negotiations for behavioral health services, and subject to successful negotiations and determination of a fair and reasonable price, enter into a single source contract with Generations Healthcare (GHC) of Lakeside, LLC for Adult Residential Skilled Nursing Facility services for an Initial Term of up to one year, with four 1-year Options, and up to an additional six months, if needed; and to amend the contract to reflect changes in program, funding or service requirements subject to the availability of funds and the approval of the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency.
3. In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, and Administrative Code Section 401, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, subject to successful negotiations and a determination of a fair and reasonable price, to amend the contracts listed below to extend the contract term and expand services, subject to the availability of funds; and amend the contracts as required in order to reflect changes to services and funding allocations, subject to the approval of the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency.
  - a. Extend the contract term up to June 30, 2025, and up to an additional six months, if needed.
    - i. Assertive Community Treatment Services
      1. Telecare Corporation (Contract #560755)
      2. Telecare Corporation (Contract #560864)
      3. Telecare Corporation (Contract #560866)

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- b. Extend the contract term up to June 30, 2026, and up to an additional six months, if needed.
  - i. Behavioral Health Patient Rights Education and Advocacy Services
    - 1. Legal Aid Society of San Diego, Inc. (Contract #560727)
- 4. In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, and Administrative Code Section 401, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, subject to successful negotiations and a determination of a fair and reasonable price, to amend the single source contracts listed below to extend the contract term and expand services, subject to the availability of funds; and amend the contracts as required in order to reflect changes to services and funding allocations, subject to the approval of the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency.
  - a. Extend the contract term up to June 30, 2025, and up to an additional six months, if needed.
    - i. Crisis Services
      - 1. New Alternatives, Inc. (Contract #533821)
  - b. Extend the contract term up to June 30, 2026, and up to an additional six months, if needed.
    - i. Medi-Cal Managed Care Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services
      - 1. Aurora Behavioral Health Care (Contract #553276)
      - 2. Palomar Health (Contract #543125)
      - 3. Scripps Health (Contract #535468)
      - 4. BH-SD OPCO, LLC dba Alvarado Parkway Institute, Inc (Contract #551798)
      - 5. Prime Healthcare (Contract #563176)
- 5. In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement and Administrative Code Section 401, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to amend contract #566533 with Community Health Improvement Partners for Independent Living Association and Recovery Residence Association, to increase the contract amount to \$4,773,348, subject to the availability of funds; and to amend the contract as required to reflect changes to services and funding allocations, subject to the approval of the Agency Director, Health and Human Service Agency.
- 6. Approve and authorize the Clerk of the Board to execute, upon receipt, the Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Intergovernmental Agreement from the State of California and accept the funding for Fiscal Year 2023-24 through Fiscal Year 2026-27, estimated at approximately \$684,760,000 over the four-year period. Approve and authorize the Clerk of the Board, subject to the approval of the Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency, to execute, upon receipt, amendments to the DMC-ODS Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of California, as required, and to reflect revised revenue agreements allocated by the State.

## EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

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The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health Services (BHS) serves as the specialty mental health plan for Medi-Cal eligible residents within San Diego County who are experiencing serious mental illness or serious emotional disturbance, and the service delivery system for Medi-Cal eligible residents with substance use care needs. An estimated 5% of San Diegans ages 21 years and older have a serious mental illness (SMI). While SMI is prevalent in all our communities, there are certain groups that have disproportionately high rates of SMI. 2021 data from the California Department of Healthcare Access and Information indicate that rates of SMI among Black/African American residents were 145% higher compared to others. Additionally, according to the California Health Interview Survey conducted by the University of California Los Angeles in 2021, 10% of San Diegans reported experiencing serious psychological distress in the past month. However, residents living below 200% of the federal poverty level, those who reported a history of incarceration, or who identified as black, Hispanic/Latino, Asian, or multiracial, reported higher percentages of serious psychological distress compared to others. As a steward of public health for the region, BHS must ensure that the services offered through County-operated and contracted programs address the social determinants of health by being accessible, capable of meeting the needs of diverse populations, and with the intent to equitably distribute services to those most in need.

In support of these efforts, BHS utilizes a population health approach to identify needs and design services in a manner most impactful, equitable, and yield meaningful outcomes for those served. This includes facilitating ongoing engagement and input from the community, stakeholders, consumers, family members, community-based providers, and healthcare organizations through formal and informal convenings, along with cross-collaboration with other County departments and community partners. Additionally, through the establishment of the Community Experience Partnership and the recent launch of the Behavioral Health Equity Index, in collaboration with the University of California San Diego, BHS is leading the development of a tool for measuring behavioral health equity which will be used to inform program planning, siting of services, and allocation of resources in a way that supports community needs. If approved, today's actions will improve access to treatment and care for populations who are underserved by social and behavioral health resources, including individuals experiencing homelessness, individuals with justice involvement, as well as children and youth with complex behavioral health needs.

#### **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today's proposed actions to provide services that improve access to treatment and care for populations who are underserved by social and behavioral health resources would support the County of San Diego Sustainability Goal #2 to provide just and equitable access to County services, Sustainability Goal #3 to transition to a green, carbon-free economy, and Sustainability Goal #4, to protect the health and well-being. This will be accomplished by providing a wider availability and range of supportive, inclusive, and stigma-free options to those in need of behavioral health services. Services will improve the overall health of communities, reducing the

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demand of associated care services, and in turn increase effectiveness of care providers and lower operating costs of facilities, thus reducing emissions and waste generated within the care sector.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Funds for these requests are included in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-25 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA). If approved, today's recommendations will result in approximate costs and revenue of \$171.2 million in FY 2023-24 and \$203.8 million in FY 2024-25. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

#### ***Recommendation #1: Authorize Competitive Solicitations***

If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$12.5 million in FY 2024-25. The funding sources are Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) and Realignment. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

#### ***Recommendation #2: Authorize Single Source Contract with GHC of Lakeside, LLC***

If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$0.8 million in FY 2024-25. The funding source is Realignment. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

#### ***Recommendation #3: Authorize Amendments and Extend Contracts***

If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$12.2 million in FY 2024-25. The funding sources are MHSA, Realignment, Short Doyle Medi-Cal, Drug Medi-Cal (DMC), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), and Community Assistance, Recovery & Empowerment (CARE) Court. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

#### ***Recommendation #4: Authorize Amendments and Extend Single Source Contracts***

If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$5.8 million in FY 2024-25. The funding sources are MHSA and Short Doyle Medi-Cal. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

#### ***Recommendation #5: Authorize Amendment to Reflect Change to Services and Increase in Funding***

If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$1.3 million in FY 2024-25. The funding sources are MHSA, Realignment, and CARE Court. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

#### ***Recommendation #6: Execute DMC-ODS Intergovernmental Agreement from the State of California and Accept Funding***

If approved, this request will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$171.2 million in FY 2023-24 and \$171.2 million in FY 2024-25. Funds for subsequent years will be incorporated into future

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operational plans. The funding source is Drug Medi-Cal. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

## **ADVISORY BOARD STATEMENT**

At their meeting on **October 5, 2023**, the Behavioral Health Advisory Board voted to \_\_\_\_\_ these recommendations.

## **BACKGROUND**

The County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health Services (BHS) provides a comprehensive array of behavioral health services to vulnerable populations, including individuals who are experiencing homelessness, individuals with justice involvement, and children and youth with complex behavioral health conditions. Services are provided through County-operated programs as well as contracts with local public and private agencies. Approval of today's recommended actions would authorize competitive solicitations, single source procurement, amendments to extend existing behavioral health services contracts, an amendment to reflect change to services and increase to funding, and execute the Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Intergovernmental Agreement from the State of California and accept funding. These recommended actions support the continuation of critical work to advance the ongoing transformation of the behavioral health continuum of care throughout San Diego County. All contracts are contingent upon the availability of funding, successful negotiations, and determination of a fair and reasonable price.

### ***Recommendation #1: Authorize Competitive Solicitations***

#### ***a. Strength-Based Case Management Full Services Partnership and Institutional Case Management***

On June 20, 2017 (13), the Board authorized the competitive procurement of Strengths-Based Case Management (SBCM) Full Services Partnership and Institutional Case Management (ICM) services. Subsequently on November 15, 2022 (28), the Board authorized a contract term extension of this program up to June 30, 2024, and up to an additional six months, if needed. SBCM services are provided to older adults ages 60 and above with a serious mental illness (SMI), who may be on Lanterman-Petris-Short Conservatorship and may have co-occurring substance use conditions. ICM services are provided to older adults ages 60 and above on conservatorship who reside in a skilled nursing facility or other County-identified long-term care facility (LTC), including those who reside in out-of-county facilities. Services include assessment, individual and group counseling, case management/brokerage, rehabilitation, crisis intervention, and other rehabilitative and recovery interventions including supportive housing.

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Research shows that the services provided by SBCM or ICM offset costs through shorter hospital stays. Services offered also provide housing stability and a greater quality of life for clients. SBCM and ICM services are provided countywide. In FY 2022-23, the SBCM component served 496 unduplicated clients, and the ICM component served 421 unduplicated clients. In FY 2022-23, 83% of SBCM clients served whose episode lasted six months or longer remained the same or showed improvement in their functional status and 88% remained the same or showed improvement in their clinical status.

Today's action requests the board to authorize a competitive solicitation for the re-procurement of Strengths-Based Case Management Full Services Partnership and Institutional Case Management program for an Initial Term of up to one year, with four 1-year Options, and up to additional six months, if needed.

*b. Suicide Prevention, Stigma Reduction and Substance Use Prevention Multi-Media Campaign*

On November 13, 2018 (12), the Board authorized the competitive procurement of Suicide Prevention, Substance Use Prevention and Stigma Reduction Campaign services. This multi-media public health campaign, titled It's Up to Us, aims to promote mental health awareness and reduce stigma associated with mental illness and substance use treatment. It's Up to Us aims to increase the public's awareness on suicide prevention and stigma reduction by using a variety of media tools, including television, radio and billboards, written materials, websites, social media channels, and other marketing tools. The campaign targets the 3.3 million general population of San Diego County, its visitors, and its sub-groups.

Services include providing a public education campaign, suicide prevention resources, and referrals for those seeking information. The It's Up to Us campaign was designed to empower San Diego County residents to talk openly about mental illness, recognize symptoms, utilize local resources, and seek help. In response to the national substance use crisis, a focus on substance use prevention messaging will be added to the campaign. In May of 2017, Strata Research conducted a survey to measure the effectiveness of the campaign. Out of 605 respondents, 93% of the survey participants believed that the campaign reinforced the importance of getting help and not delaying, and 91% believed that it encouraged a discussion with a friend or family member. Additionally, in 2022, Strata Research conducted another community survey to measure the effectiveness of the campaign. Out of 532 respondents, 83% agreed that the campaign helped them recognize the early signs of mental health challenges.

Today's action requests the Board to authorize a competitive solicitation for the re-procurement of the Suicide Prevention, Substance Use Prevention and Stigma Reduction

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Campaign, It's Up to Us, for an Initial Term of up to one year, with four 1-year Options, and up to an additional six months, if needed.

c. *Breaking Down Barriers Program*

Under Administrative Code section 401, the Department of Purchasing and Contracting issued a competitive solicitation for the Breaking Down Barriers program. Subsequently, on July 18, 2023 (14), the Board authorized a contract term extension of this program up to December 31, 2024. Breaking Down Barriers is designed to reduce mental health stigma, and targets Latino, African American, Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ+), Refugee, Middle Eastern, Asian/Pacific Islander, and Native American communities. The program focuses on providing outreach, education, and engagement to members of unserved and underserved populations. The aim of the Breaking Down Barriers program is to ensure messaging resonates with the diverse community it serves, enhancing the credibility, relevance and cultural competency of the programs' communication and engagement efforts. Additionally, it also creates effective collaborations with various stakeholders, agencies, community groups, and client/family member organizations to support the program's mental health stigma and discrimination reduction campaign.

The services include educational workshops and events, discussions about mental health, and outreach to unserved and underserved populations, supporting connections of these populations with mental health services and other beneficial resources. The program also offers cultural humility and cultural competency training to community members and providers working with these populations. Services are provided countywide.

The need for this program is underpinned by academic research and program utilization data, which highlight the unique challenges faced by individuals from diverse communities. Stigma-associated findings indicated that groups such as Non-Hispanic Asian/Pacific Islander, Non-Hispanic Black, Latino, LGBTQ+, naturalized citizens and non-citizens were more inclined to manage mental health concerns independently, often stemming from mistrust in online tools. Additionally, 53% of refugees in San Diego expressed emotional health distress in 2020, a statistic that overshadows the 44% rate for Californians at large. This disparity is compounded by data showing high instances of dual mental health disorders and trauma, particularly in Non-Hispanic Black, Non-Hispanic American Indian/Alaska Native and LGBTQ+ populations, pointing to a pressing need for targeted, culturally sensitive intervention.

During the FY 2022-23, the program delivered prevention and early intervention services to 5,539 participants, and exceeded the contract's goal of 200 community presentations and 90 group sessions annually by conducting 212 and 95, respectively. As a result, 97% of participants reported increased awareness of mental health resources, understanding of



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factors causing mental health stigma, and strategies to reduce and prevent mental illness stigma.

Today's action requests the Board to authorize a competitive solicitation for the re-procurement of the Breaking Down Barriers program, with the intent to award up to eight contracts for an Initial Term of up to one year, with four 1-year Options, and up to an additional six months, if needed.

*d. Transitional Residential Treatment Program*

On October 4, 2016 (1), the Board authorized the competitive procurement of Transitional Residential Treatment Program. Subsequently, on November 15, 2022 (28), the Board authorized a contract term extension of this program up to June 30, 2024, and up to an additional six months, if needed.

This program provides transitional residential treatment services to adults with SMI, which may include co-occurring conditions, who are Medi-Cal recipients and residents of San Diego County. Services include but are not limited to individual and group counseling, and services to support recovery and rehabilitation including skill-building, education and employment exploration, and other services to support transition to the community. This program has served as an option for clients that have transitioned from mental health rehabilitation centers and is focused on providing clients with the support needed to transition to a less structured level of care and independent living.

In FY 2022-23, the program served a total of 26 unduplicated clients. One hundred percent of residents in the program receive employment screening upon admission and are re-assessed every month to determine and discuss their interest and/or progress in employment. Additionally, 60% of clients discharged were not readmitted to the same or higher level of care within a 12-month period following discharge.

Today's action requests the Board to authorize a competitive solicitation for the re-procurement of the Transitional Residential Treatment Program for an Initial Term of up to one year, with four 1-year Options, and up to an additional six months, if needed.

***Recommendation #2: Authorize Single Source Contract with Generations Healthcare (GHC) of Lakeside, LLC***

On December 12, 2006 (7), the Board authorized the extension and renewal of existing contracts and the negotiation and award of new provider contracts for 24-hour Medical, Nursing and Rehabilitative Services. Subsequently on November 13, 2018 (12), the Board authorized a contract term extension of the expiring single source contract with GHC of Lakeside, LLC up to June 30, 2024, and up to an additional six months, if needed. This program provides a structured 24-hour,

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7 days per week, skilled nursing mental health rehabilitation facility for adults 18 years and older experiencing mental health conditions.

This program qualifies for a single source contract to provide these services based on the following section of Board Policy A-87 Competitive Procurement: Section 1. D3. The procurement is for services from a provider with unique knowledge, skill, or ability not available from other sources. GHC of Lakeside, LLC provides a comprehensive program of therapy services and medical rehabilitation. This facility provides an option for patients that transition from an acute in-patient behavioral health setting, as this facility provides skilled nursing services for clients with medical and psychiatric needs. The managed care plan funds the placement to address the medical needs of the client. This contract allows for the County to provide additional funding via a “patch” to support the program as they also address the psychiatric needs of the clients. Services are provided countywide. In FY 2022-23, the 24-hour Medical, Nursing and Rehabilitative Services program with GHC of Lakeside, LLC served a total of 35 unduplicated clients.

Today’s action requests the Board to authorize a single source contract with GHC of Lakeside, LLC for 24-hour Medical, Nursing and Rehabilitation Services for an Initial Term of up to one year, with four 1-year Options, and up to an additional six months, if needed.

***Recommendation #3: Authorize Amendments and Extend Contracts***

The Board authorized the competitive solicitation for the programs listed in Attachment A, Tables 1-2. The contracts listed in Attachment A, Tables 1-2 require an amendment to extend to ensure continuity of critical behavioral health treatment services. Contracts listed in Table 1 will be re-procured and the extensions support strategically spreading the re-procurements over time to allow for maximum competition from potential offerors. Additionally, these extensions will support improved service delivery by ensuring similar services are aligned and evaluated through clinical design. The contract listed in Table 2 will be reprocured and the extension supports continuity of this service as the Community Assistance, Recovery and Empowerment (CARE) Act program is in early stages of implementation.

If approved, today’s actions would authorize an amendment and extension as follows:

- a. Table 1 – extend the contract term up to June 30, 2025, and up to an additional six months, if needed.
- b. Table 2 – extend the contract term up to June 30, 2026, and up to an additional six months, if needed.

Additional details of these programs can be found in Attachment A, Tables 1-2.

***Recommendation #4: Authorize Amendments and Extend Single Source Contracts***

The Board authorized the single source procurement of the programs listed in Attachment A, Tables 3-4. All the contracts listed in Attachment A, Tables 3-4 expire by the end of FY 2023-24

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and require an amendment to extend to ensure continuity of critical behavioral health treatment services.

If approved, today's actions would authorize an amendment and extension as follows:

- a. Table 3 – extend the contract term up to June 30, 2025, and up to an additional six months, if needed.
- b. Table 4 – extend the contract term up to June 30, 2026, and up to an additional six months, if needed.

The Director of the Department of Purchasing and Contracting awarded the contracts listed in Attachment A, Tables 3-4 based on the following Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement exceptions:

- Section 1.D.3: the procurement is for services from a provider with unique knowledge, skill, or ability not available from other sources.

Additional details of these programs can be found in Attachment A, Tables 3-4.

***Recommendation #5: Authorize Amendment to Reflect Change to Services and Increase in Funding***

Under Administrative Code section 401, the Department of Purchasing and Contracting issued a competitive solicitation for Independent Living Association (ILA) and Recovery Residence Association (RRA). This program provides an ILA and RRA to establish and monitor quality standards for independent living homes and recovery residence in San Diego County and provides resources to operators of these homes. The Community Assistance, Recovery and Empowerment (CARE) Act authorizes specified adult persons to petition a civil court to create a voluntary CARE agreement or a court-ordered CARE plan that can include treatment, housing support, and other services for persons with untreated schizophrenia or other psychotic disorders. Community Health Improvement Partners will expand capacity for the CARE Act Program; specifically, to recruit housing providers to house CARE Act referrals, engage landlords/housing operators, and identify housing options for CARE Act Program eligible clients. Today's action would authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to enter into negotiations and subject to determination of fair and reasonable price, amend the contract with Community Health Improvement Partners for Independent Living Association and Recovery Residence Association, to increase the contract amount to \$4,773,348 to address the needs of those with SMI who entered in agreement or court-ordered CARE plan, subject to the availability of funds; and to amend the contract as required to reflect changes to services and funding allocations, subject to the approval of the Agency Director, Health and Human Service Agency.

***Recommendation #6: Execute DMC-ODS Intergovernmental Agreement from the State of California and Accept Funding***

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On March 27, 2018 (2), the Board approved the implementation of the Section 1115 Medicaid Demonstration Waiver DMC-ODS pilot program, beginning July 1, 2018. DMC-ODS implementation has dramatically transformed the substance use disorder (SUD) system by providing comprehensive services that connect individuals with substance use conditions to the care they need. The implementation of DMC-ODS has accelerated the integration of SUD specialty care with mainstream healthcare to improve access to services and drive better outcomes. DMC-ODS implementation has also enabled more local oversight and accountability, created utilization controls to improve care, and supported evidence-based practices in SUD treatment. Today's action requests the Board to approve and authorize the Clerk of the Board to execute the DMC-ODS Intergovernmental Agreement with the State of California, upon receipt, and subsequent amendments, as required, and to reflect revised revenue amounts allocated by the State.

**LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Today's proposed actions support the County of San Diego's 2023-2028 Strategic Plan Initiatives of Equity (Health) and Community (Quality of Life) as well as the regional Live Well San Diego vision of healthy, safe, and thriving communities. This is accomplished by reducing disparities and disproportionality of individuals with mental health and substance use conditions and ensuring access to a comprehensive continuum of behavioral health services administered through accessible behavioral health programs.

Respectfully submitted,

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HELEN N. ROBBINS-MEYER  
Interim Chief Administrative Officer

**ATTACHMENT(S)**

Attachment A – Behavioral Health Services List of Contracts

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**AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET**

**REQUIRES FOUR VOTES:** No

**WRITTEN DISCLOSURE PER COUNTY CHARTER SECTION 1000.1 REQUIRED**  
No

**PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:**

July 18, 2023 (15), Authorize Acceptance of Behavioral Health Bridge Housing Grant Funds; Authorize a Request for Statement of Qualifications; Authorize Amendments for Licensed Adult and Senior Residential Care Facility Slots; and Authorize Competitive Procurements for Grant Administration Services; July 18, 2023 (14), Authorize competitive Solicitations, Single Source Contracts, Amendments to Extend Existing Contracts, and Cooperative and Revenue Agreements for Behavioral Health Services; November 15, 2022 (28), Authorize Competitive Solicitations and Amendments to Extend Existing Behavioral Health Services Contracts; October 29, 2019 (5) Update on Advancing the Behavioral Health Continuum of Care through Regional Collaboration and Innovation; November 13, 2018 (12) Behavioral Health Services Authorization for Competitive Solicitations, Amendment of Contracts, and a Single Source Procurement; June 19, 2018 (9), Behavioral Health Services Authorization for Competitive Solicitations and Amendment of Contracts; March 27, 2018 (2), Request Board Authority to Implement Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System; November 14, 2017 (10), Behavioral Health Services Authorization for Competitive Solicitations; Amend Authorization of Payment to California Mental Health Service Authority (CALMHSA); June 20, 2017 (13), Behavioral Health Services Authorization for Competitive Solicitations, Amendment of Contracts and Single Source Procurements; Authorization for Team Extension of California Mental Health Services Authority (CALMHSA) Memorandum of understanding and Authorization of Annual Payment; October 4, 2016 (1), Health and Human Services Agency Authorization for Competitive Solicitations, Extension of Contracts, and Single Source Procurements; June 21, 2016 (9), Behavioral Health Services Authorization for Competitive Solicitations and Amend Existing Contracts; April 27, 2010 (10), Mental Health Services, Augmentation of Emergency Screening Unit; December 12, 2006 (7) Mental Health Services Authorization for Competitive Solicitations and Extensions of Contracts

**BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:**

A-87 – Competitive Procurement

**BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS:**

N/A

**MANDATORY COMPLIANCE:**

**SUBJECT:** AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE SOLICITATIONS, SINGLE SOURCE CONTRACT, AMENDMENTS TO EXTEND EXISTING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES CONTRACTS, AMENDMENT TO REFLECT CHANGE TO SERVICES AND INCREASE IN FUNDING, AND EXECUTE THE DRUG MEDICAL ORGANIZED DELIVERY SYSTEM INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE AND ACCEPT FUNDING

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**ORACLE AWARD NUMBER(S) AND CONTRACT AND/OR REQUISITION NUMBER(S):**

560755; 560864; 560866; 560727; 533821; 533276; 543125; 535468; 551798; 563176; 566533

**ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:**

Health and Human Services Agency

**OTHER CONCURRENCE(S):**

Department of Purchasing and Contracting

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