

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD ACTION ITEM JANUARY 26, 2021

PROCUREMENT OMNIBUS BOARD LETTER

In a series of actions since 1999, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors (Board) approved initiatives to redesign and implement an expanded continuum of comprehensive behavioral health care for children, adolescents, transition age youth, adults, older adults, and families. The County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) Behavioral Health Services (BHS) department provides a comprehensive array of community-based mental health and substance use disorder services through contracts with local public and private agencies to vulnerable populations, including individuals who are experiencing homelessness, individuals with justice involvement, and children and youth with complex behavioral health conditions. In pursuit of these initiatives, the Board previously approved the procurement of these critical services.

As the County continues to evaluate and address the impact of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), BHS remains focused on maintaining continuity of critical mental health and substance use disorder services to the most vulnerable individuals and families within the community. Approval of these recommended actions authorizes competitive solicitations and amendments to extend existing behavioral health services contracts, including single source contracts, to sustain critical behavioral health services. This action will also authorize a revenue agreement with the State of California, Department of Rehabilitation for mental health employment services. This action also authorizes the ratification of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-21 Performance Contract Agreement with the California Department of Health Care Services to provide public mental health services throughout the county. These recommended actions support the continuation of critical work to advance the Behavioral Health Continuum of Care in alignment with Board direction. These actions for services are as follows:

Competitive Solicitations for:

- a. Clubhouse Services
- b. Housing Support Services
- c. Assisted Outpatient Treatment Outreach and Evaluation Services
- d. Outpatient Mental Health Services for Adults
- e. Outpatient Mental Health Services for Children and Youth
 - i. Behavioral Crisis Center and Mobile Assessment Team Services
 - ii. Mental Health Developmental Evaluation Services
- f. Onsite Care Coordination and Case Management Services
- a. Homeless Outreach Worker Services

Extensions for:

Contracts that will be extended up to June 30, 2022 with a 6-month option to extend if needed, as listed in Attachment A of the Board Letter;

Authorization of a Revenue Agreement with the: State of California, Department of Rehabilitation for Employment Services Program; and

Ratification of Performance Contract Agreement with the: California, Department of Health Care Services for public mental health services.

It is THEREFORE, staff's recommendation that your Board vote to support the authorizations and approvals needed to advance the recommendations in this Board Letter.