

**MEMORANDUM  
PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
Children's System of Care**

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.  
Placer County Health Officer and Director of Health & Human Services  
Richard S. Knecht, Director of Children's System of Care

**DATE:** June 19, 2012

**SUBJECT:** Contract with Sierra Mental Wellness Group to Provide Mental Health Services, Counseling, Parenting Classes, and Domestic Violence Services

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**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Approve a contract with Sierra Mental Wellness Group to provide mental health services, counseling, parenting classes, and domestic violence services from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013 in the amount not to exceed \$921,210, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign subsequent amendments up to \$49,999, consistent with the current agreement's subject matter and Scope of Work.

**BACKGROUND:**

Sierra Mental Wellness Group is a long-standing and important community agency partner with Placer County, delivering many of the county's mandated mental health and emergency crisis services. This contract provides outclient mental health services to both youth and adults in the Auburn, Roseville, Lincoln, and Tahoe areas. Other services provided under this agreement include anger management classes, parenting enhancement, and domestic violence treatment programs.

Last year, Sierra Mental Wellness Group served 1,069 clients under this agreement, often preventing the need for hospitalization or other more expensive services. It is anticipated that due to new Federal and State mandates, some increased utilization of these services may occur.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This agreement totaling \$921,210 is included in the Department's FY 2012-13 Proposed Budget. It will be funded with \$724,475 (79%) in Federal and State funds and \$196,735 (21%) in required County General Fund match.

This contract is on file with the Clerk of the Board for review.

