

**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  
C.B. Bautista, Director, Children's System of Care

**DATE:** November 7, 2006

**SUBJECT:** Contract for Intensive Treatment Foster Care Services with St. Vincent's Foster Family Agency

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**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Approve a contract for Intensive Treatment Foster Care (ITFC) services with St. Vincent's Foster Family Agency for the period from July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2007 in the amount of \$100,000, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the agreement and subsequent amendments.

**BACKGROUND:**

While Children's System of Care has placed children in this and other facilities in the past under its authority to make foster care placements, the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) changed their requirements for the ITFC agreement and recently determined that more formalized contractual arrangements must be in effect between the County and such institutional providers. CDSS has directed, and County Counsel has concurred, that this contract be retroactive to July 1, 2005, in order for CDSS to reimburse Placer County for costs incurred for services already provided to CSOC clients by St. Vincent's.

The ITFC program, which is a specialized foster care placement program, is established under Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) Section 18358 et seq. for children who are emotionally disturbed and who, as a result of their emotional disturbance, have been either (1) Placed in a high-level group home with a pursuant to WIC Section 11462, (2) Assessed by the child's county interagency review team as at imminent risk of psychiatric hospitalization or placement in a high-level group home pursuant to WIC Section 11462, or (3) Successfully completed the group home program, except children on probation or otherwise in the custody of the juvenile court for any violent felony, as defined in Penal Code Section 667.5(c).

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

These contract expenditures were included in the Fiscal Years 05/06 and 06/07 approved budgets. Funding for these costs is provided by Federal and State foster care funds (70%), and realignment and County general funds (30%).

The following Contract for:

**St. Vincent's foster Family  
Agency**

is on file with the Clerk of the Board  
for BOS meeting:

**November 7, 2006**