

**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 of Children's System of Care

**DATE:** August 1, 2006

**SUBJECT:** Contract for Security Services with B. Burrows Company

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**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Approve an agreement with B. Burrows Company Inc., dba Burrows Security Force to provide security personnel for the mental health crisis services performed by Placer County Adult, Child and Community Emergency Services System (ACCESS) at Sutter Roseville Medical Center in the amount of \$107,000 for the period from August 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the agreement.

**BACKGROUND:**

Individuals who are considered to be a danger to themselves or others due to a mental disorder may be detained by law enforcement and other designated staff in order to perform a mental health evaluation for possible admission to a psychiatric facility (Welfare and Institutions Code 5150).

The decisions to relocate the 5150 assessment program from the Cirby Hills Center to Sutter Roseville Medical Center and to hire security personnel were made in partnership with Sutter Roseville Medical Center, Placer Law Enforcement Agencies (PLEA) and Health and Human Services. These service improvements will facilitate a more rapid return of law enforcement officers to community patrol, streamline the medical screening process required for admissions to psychiatric facilities, and provide security staff to provide additional assistance and support to both clients and staff. Prior to this arrangement, law enforcement staff was frequently required to remain with the mental health client for numerous hours while the evaluation was performed and an available psychiatric bed was located. Approximately 1,300 crisis evaluations (WIC 5150) are performed per year in Placer County and approximately 50% of these evaluations result in psychiatric hospitalization.

This agreement will provide security personnel who are trained in crisis resolution and intervention in emergency mental health settings. The security personnel will be on site at the Sutter Roseville Medical Center from 4:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m., seven days per week. This agreement also provides additional coverage for those cases that may extend beyond 2:00 a.m.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The expenditures for this agreement will be included in the department's 2006-07 budget adjustments once all state and federal funding allocations have been received. It will be funded through a combination of state realignment and County General Funds; no additional County General Funds are required.

The following Contract for:

**B. Burrows Company, Inc., dba  
Burrows Security Force**

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

**August 01, 2006**