

**MEMORANDUM
PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Human Services Division**

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.
Placer County Health Officer and Director of Health & Human Services
Cheryl S. Davis, Director of Human Services

DATE: May 21, 2013

SUBJECT: Contract with Placer County Office of Education for Childcare Services

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve a contract with Placer County Office of Education (PCOE) for Childcare Services for CalWORKs/Welfare to Work operations for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 in the amount of \$1,965,000, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign subsequent amendments up to \$49,999, consistent with the current agreements' subject matter and scope of work.

BACKGROUND:

Since the implementation of the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) program in 1998, a welfare-to-work program, PCOE has assumed the responsibility for making direct childcare provider payments, a task previously handled by the Department of Health and Human Services.

The childcare funding continuum for CalWORKs clients is comprised of three stages. Stage one funds are allocated to county welfare agencies for childcare to families receiving cash assistance who do not have stable employment. Stages two and three are allocated to PCOE for childcare for families who have stable employment or have transitioned off of cash assistance. By contracting with PCOE for the administration of stage one funds, a seamless system for the delivery of childcare services is established, maximizing the efficiency and cost effectiveness of managing the three program stages.

Under this contract, an average of 260 children per month will receive childcare services for FY 2013-14, which facilitates their parents' efforts in finding and maintaining employment.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This contract totaling \$1,965,000, which includes child care payments and PCOE administration, is included in the Department's FY 2013-14 Requested Budget. It is funded exclusively with Federal and State funds; therefore no County General Funds are required.

A copy of this contract is on file with Clerk of the Board for review.

