

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

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jeffrey S. Brown, M.P.H., M.S.W., Director of Health and Human Services
Richard S. Knecht, Director of Children's System of Care

DATE: September 9, 2014

SUBJECT: Contract for Provision of Intensive Trauma Focused Services for Children Ages 3-6

ACTION REQUESTED:

1. Approve the award of Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 10325 for Intensive Trauma Focused Services to Children's Receiving Home of Sacramento, and
2. Approve a contract with Children's Receiving Home of Sacramento for an Intensive Trauma Focused Services Program in an amount not to exceed \$202,225 in FY 2014-15 and \$270,000 in FY 2015-16 for a total of \$472,225, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign subsequent amendments up to a total of \$49,999, consistent with the agreement's subject matter and scope of work.

BACKGROUND:

Over the last decade, knowledge and understanding about the role and scope of early acute trauma has greatly enhanced capacities of providers to identify and treat early trauma. While the expertise and awareness has expanded, there is little to no capacity to deliver intensive, early and effective trauma based care to very young Placer County trauma victims.

The Children's System of Care provided protection and reunification services to nearly 150 very young victims of trauma in the last fiscal year. Nationally, some estimates suggest as many as 90 percent of foster children have been exposed to some form of serious trauma.

After two years of regional and local conversation and planning, CSOC, with the support of the First 5 Placer Children and Families Commission, released a successful Request for Proposals (RFP) to select a service provider to render these long needed Intensive Trauma Informed services to pre-kindergarten children. Notification of the RFP was distributed to 69 agencies of which three attended the pre-proposal conference. One agency responded to this RFP. The RFP evaluation panel, comprised of staff from Children's System of Care, Lighthouse Counseling and Family Resource Center, The Strategies Group, and our local Child Abuse Prevention Council, reviewed and rated the proposal.

The evaluation panel recommended awarding of the Intensive Trauma Focused Services contract to Children's Receiving Home of Sacramento, which received a total score of 416 out of a possible 500 maximum points. The evaluation panel determined that Children's Receiving Home of Sacramento was well qualified, and presented a well written proposal which not only addressed the need for services by Placer County children, but demonstrated the agency's exceptional experience with this population in recent years.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Of the total contract expenditures of \$472,225, \$202,225 was budgeted in the Department's FY 2014-15 Proposed Budget and \$270,000 will be included in the Department's FY 2015-16 Requested Budget. The contract is funded by \$161,000 in Federal funds, \$161,225 in State funds and \$150,000 in grant funds.

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

