



MEMORANDUM
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
CHILDREN'S SYSTEM OF CARE
County of Placer

TO: Board of Supervisors

DATE: May 17, 2016

FROM: Jeffrey S. Brown, M.P.H., M.S.W., Director of Health and Human Services

SUBJECT: One Year Umbrella Authorization for Intensive Residential Mental Health Services

ACTION REQUESTED

1. Approve annual contracts with multiple entities for intensive, specialized mental health services by group home providers, in a maximum aggregate amount of \$585,000 (\$76,000 net County cost) by way of a maximum payment authorization established by the Auditor-Controller for FY 2016-17, approve the provider list, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to amend the list of providers as long as any amendments are reflected in next year's annual list, sign provider agreements, and sign subsequent amendments consistent with the agreement's subject matter and scope of work.

BACKGROUND

The Children's System of Care is mandated by the State to provide a range of mental health services including psychiatry, counseling and social skills training to children and youth, as well as intensive mental health services, which are most often currently delivered in group home settings, which can provide services 24/7. Continuum of Care Reform (AB 403) is anticipated to lessen the overall numbers of children statewide who will require these residential services, and lessen the time children and youth spend out of their communities. However, there is still a need for the programs some of the time for very troubled youth, and these programs effectively served approximately 40 Placer County youth last year from the child welfare, probation and mental health sectors. Of note, less than two percent of all Placer County youth in care require residential or congregate services, compared to a statewide standard of nearly 10 percent.

These contracts assure timely and effective recovery and support services are delivered to youth in order to limit the time and duration of residential care and to help them acquire the skills necessary to return home as quickly as possible. The group home providers responsible for these services are listed in Attachment A. All providers added to the annual list under the Director's amendment authority will be published to the Board by inclusion on the FY 2017-2018 list.

Costs for services are based upon negotiations between the department and the group home provider. The budgeted amount for these mental health services is projected to be \$585,000, no increase from FY 2015-16.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funding for these services in the amount of \$585,000 has been included in the Department's FY 2016-17 Proposed Budget, including Federal and State funding of \$509,000 (87 percent) and a required County General Fund match of \$76,000 (13 percent).

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – Group Homes Providing Day Treatment and Residential Mental Health Services

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Group Homes Providing Day Treatment and Residential Mental Health Services Effective FY 2016-17

Casa Pacifica Centers for Children and Families

Charis Youth Center

Cinnamon Hills Youth Crisis Center, Inc. (Utah)

Fred Finch Youth Center

Milhous Children's Services, Inc.

Remi Vista, Inc.

Sacramento Children's Home

South Coast Children's Society, Inc.

Summitview Child & Family Services, Inc.

TLC Child and Family Services

Victor Treatment Centers, Inc.