



**MEMORANDUM**  
**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**  
**PUBLIC HEALTH**  
County of Placer

TO: Board of Supervisors

DATE: December 4, 2018

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

SUBJECT: Agreement with The Gathering Inn, Inc. for Operation of the Medical Respite Unit for  
Whole Person Care

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**ACTION REQUESTED**

Approve an agreement with The Gathering Inn, Inc. to operate the Whole Person Care Medical Respite Unit from January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2020, for a total amount not to exceed \$619,820 and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to execute the agreement with Risk Management and County Counsel concurrence and to sign amendments not to exceed an additional \$61,982, consistent with the subject matter and scope of work with Risk Management and County Counsel concurrence.

**BACKGROUND**

On October 25, 2016, your Board authorized the Director of Health and Human Services to sign a revenue agreement with the California Department of Health Care Services from January 1, 2016, to December 31, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$20,126,290 to implement a Whole Person Care (WPC) Pilot Program. The Placer WPC is a 5-year program whose goal is to test locally-based initiatives to better coordinate physical health, behavioral health, and social services for beneficiaries who are homeless or at risk of homelessness and who are high utilizers of multiple community services.

Much of the revenue under this agreement is organized into "service bundles" through which HHS is provided a set fee per month for each member enrolled in a service bundle. HHS has been partnering with The Gathering Inn to provide medical respite services at 11084 B Avenue, Auburn, which is a County-owned and managed building that was previously the Placer County Children's Receiving Home. Before extending this contract, HHS sent out a request for Letter of Interest to see if any other community partners would want to contract the WPC Medical Respite Program services. The only response was from The Gathering Inn. HHS has been satisfied with the services provided by The Gathering Inn. In addition to successfully running the Whole Person Care medical respite program, they also run a 5-bed Interim Care Program (ICP) that is largely funded by Sutter Health and Kaiser Permanente.

The medical respite bundle includes facilities, staffing, and supplies to support a 6-bed medical respite unit. HHS receives sufficient funding from the Whole Person Care reimbursement to fully cover the cost of the medical respite program through December 31, 2020.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The budget for calendar year 2019 is \$306,820 and for calendar year 2020 is \$313,000. The full amount of this contract is reimbursed with Federal and State revenues from the Whole Person Care Pilot program, with no County General Funds required.

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

