



MEMORANDUM
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
ADULT SYSTEM OF CARE
County of Placer

TO: Board of Supervisors

DATE: June 9, 2020

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

SUBJECT: Contract With Restpadd Health Corp For Short-Term Acute Inpatient Psychiatric Services

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve a contract with Restpadd Health Corp for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 for psychiatric health facility services in a total amount not to exceed \$1,100,000 and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the contract with Risk Management and County Counsel concurrence and any subsequent amendments up to \$100,000 consistent with subject matter and scope of work with Risk Management and County Counsel concurrence.

BACKGROUND

Placer County System of Care provides mandated mental health crisis intervention services to adults and children who are experiencing a mental health crisis. During FY 2018-19, 2,730 adults and 590 children received crisis evaluation services and approximately 50% of those required inpatient psychiatric hospitalization. If the County Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF) is at capacity, individuals are referred to alternate facilities such as other PHFs, Crisis Stabilization Units, or private inpatient psychiatric hospitals (as a last resort). During the past few months, we have witnessed an increasing demand for psychiatric beds, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic where quick throughput in our local emergency departments is most critical.

Maintaining this contract is critical given the shortage of psychiatric beds across the State. The County has contracted with PHF's in other counties, but bed capacity at these PHF's is often full. Individuals in crisis often spend unnecessary hours in our overcrowded local emergency departments waiting for available psychiatric beds. The additional option of Restpadd PHF will further help reduce the burden of crowded emergency departments in our community, while avoiding the most expensive option of private hospitalization.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funding consists of \$1,045,000 (95%) in State and Federal revenues and \$55,000 (5%) in County General funds and is included in the FY 2020-21 Budget.

This contract is on file with Clerk of the Board.

