



MEMORANDUM
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
ADULT SYSTEMS OF CARE DIVISION
County of Placer

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors **DATE:** October 26, 2021
FROM: Robert Oldham, Director of Health and Human Services
BY: Nancy Baggett, Staff Services Manager
SUBJECT: Agreement with El Dorado County for Inpatient Psychiatric Health Facility Services

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve an agreement with the County of El Dorado to provide medically necessary inpatient psychiatric health facility services from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the agreement with Risk Management and County Counsel concurrence, and sign subsequent amendments up to \$30,000, consistent with the agreement's subject matter and scope of work with Risk Management and County Counsel concurrence.

BACKGROUND

Placer County Adult System of Care provides mental health crisis intervention services to individuals who are experiencing a mental health crisis. During FY 2020-21, 3,311 individuals received crisis evaluation services and approximately half of those individuals required inpatient psychiatric hospitalization at either the Placer County Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF) or an alternative psychiatric facility if the Placer County PHF was at capacity. Inpatient hospital services at Psychiatric Health Facilities (PHFs) provide 24-hour supervised care for adults with severe mental disorders who are unable to provide for their basic needs and are at risk to themselves or others. Each year, Placer County spends thousands of dollars on psychiatric hospitalization for its Medi-Cal beneficiaries and non-insured residents. The average length of stay for these facilities ranges between 7-14 days.

During times of full capacity at the Placer County PHF, overflow services with neighboring PHFs are a cost-effective alternative to private inpatient hospitals. El Dorado Department of Mental Health has been a long-standing partner with Placer County Adult System of Care (ASOC) in providing such services and they also have with a similar cost structure that maximizes federal dollars. Inpatient services were reviewed and determined that additional funding with El Dorado County contract will be necessary to provide the most cost-effective means with consistent service and to meet anticipated use of services.

FISCAL IMPACT

The FY 2021-22 amount of \$300,000 is included in the Department's FY 2021-22 Budget. For future years this will be budgeted. This agreement annually will include 40% in State funding and 60% in County general fund.

ATTACHMENTS

None.

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