

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

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.
Placer County Health Officer and Director of Health & Human Services
Richard S. Knecht, Director of Children's System of Care

DATE: June 21, 2011

SUBJECT: Contract with Chapa-De Indian Health Program, Inc. to Provide Medication Support Services

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve a contract with Chapa-De Indian Health Program, Inc. to provide medication support services from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 in the amount of \$26,000, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the resulting contract and subsequent amendments up to 10 percent of the total contract amount.

BACKGROUND:

The Children's System of Care is mandated to provide psychiatric and medication management services to certain children and youth. Each year, some 150 children and youth are provided specialized medication and psychiatric assessment services.

Board Certified child psychiatrists are in extreme demand across the state and country, and the region has a shortage of qualified providers who are willing to accept publicly-funded patients. The use of a contract with the local Native American Health Center has been identified as one strategy to make these mandated services available in a timely and efficient manner. This contract provides up to 12 hours of child or youth psychiatric time per week.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The expenditures for this contract are included in the Department's FY 2011-12 Proposed Budget. The contract cost of \$26,000 will be funded by approximately \$10,000 (38%) in State funds and approximately \$16,000 (62%) in County General Fund.

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

