

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: July 9, 2013

SUBJECT: Contract with Sierra Mental Wellness Group to Provide Mental Health Services, Counseling, Parenting Classes, and Domestic Violence Services

ACTION REQUESTED:

1. Approve a contract with Sierra Mental Wellness Group to provide mental health services, counseling, parenting classes, and domestic violence services from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$920,166 (\$203,952 net County cost), and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign subsequent amendments up to \$49,999, consistent with the current agreement's subject matter and scope of work.

BACKGROUND:

Sierra Mental Wellness Group is a long-standing and integral community partner with Placer County, delivering many of the County's mandated mental health and emergency crisis services. This contract provides outpatient mental health services to both youth and adults in the Auburn, Roseville, Lincoln, and Tahoe areas. Other services provided under this agreement include anger management classes, parenting enhancement, and domestic violence treatment programs.

Last year, Sierra Mental Wellness Group served 320 clients under this agreement, often preventing the need for hospitalization or other more expensive services, and helping families avoid the stigma which can result from residential or group care. It is anticipated that due to new Federal and State mandates, some increased utilization of these contracted services is likely to occur.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This agreement totaling \$920,166 is included in the Department's FY 2013-14 Proposed Budget. It will be funded with \$716,214 (78%) in Federal and State funds and \$203,952 (22%) in required County General Fund match.

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

