



# Mendocino County

## Legislation Text

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**To: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**From:** Behavioral Health and Recovery Services

**Meeting Date:** February 6, 2024

**Department Contact:** Jenine Miller, Psy.D.

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**Item Type:** Consent Agenda

**Time Allocated for Item:** N/A

**Agenda Title:**

Approval of Retroactive Agreement (Second Amendment to Agreement No. PA 23-85, MH-23-011) with California Psychiatric Transitions, Inc., in the Amount of \$180,000, for a New Agreement Total of \$410,000, to Provide Residential Care to Mendocino County Lanterman-Petris-Short Clients, Effective July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024

**Recommended Action/Motion:**

Approve retroactive Agreement (second amendment to Agreement No. PA 23-85, MH-23-011) with California Psychiatric Transitions, Inc., in the amount of \$180,000, for a new Agreement total of \$410,000, to provide residential care to Mendocino County Lanterman-Petris-Short clients, effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024; authorize the Behavioral Health and Recovery Services Director or designee to sign any future amendments that do not increase the annual maximum amount; and authorize Chair to sign same.

**Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:**

September 12, 2023, Item 3h), Approval of first Amendment No. BOS-23-157

**Summary of Request:**

The Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) Act is the California law governing the involuntary civil commitment of individuals who, due to mental illness, pose a danger to themselves, a danger to others, or who are gravely disabled and require inpatient psychiatric care. The intent of the LPS Act was to end inappropriate lifetime commitment of people with mental illness and firmly establish their right to due process while significantly reducing state institutional expense.

Pursuant to the requirements of the LPS Act, Mendocino County is responsible for providing residential care services to LPS clients who are court-mandated to receive a specific level of care requiring a structured environment due to mental health challenges. Currently, there are no local facilities in Mendocino County that are able to provide all levels of care as mandated by the courts. In addition, there is a shortage of residential care facilities statewide, which creates competition for these placements. As a result, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) contracts with multiple residential care facilities in order to help manage the shortage, and to maintain current client placements ensuring the most appropriate care within the largest possible placement options.

California Psychiatric Transitions, Inc. (CPT) is one of a few residential care facilities able to provide services to Mendocino County clients. CPT, located in Delhi, CA, provides secure residential treatment programs and

offers a broad range of services for adults requiring a structured environment due to mental challenges. The goal of CPT is to provide the intervention and support necessary for clients to move towards stabilization, recovery, and successful function in the least restrictive environment possible. Services include: psychological rehabilitation support, provision of residential and health care needs, activities designed to develop self-help skills, life skills, and interpersonal relationships, and programs that promote the recovery of clients for independent living in the community. Services provided by CPT are unique and are considered an alternative to State Hospitals for clients who need the most restrictive level of care.

On July 1, 2023, the Mendocino County Purchasing Agent (PA) approved Agreement No. PA 23-85, MH-23-011 with CPT for mental health residential treatment services. On September 12, 2023 the Board of Supervisors approved first Amendment No. BOS-23-157 to increase the Agreement amount to \$230,000. The proposed second Amendment to Agreement No. PA 23-85, MH-23-011 increases the total amount to \$410,000, to continue mental health residential treatment services to Mendocino County LPS conserved clients. The previous Agreement amounts were estimated based on the number of clients at CPT in the beginning of the fiscal year, with the anticipation of some clients moving to a lower level of care. This estimate did not go as anticipated, with clients continuously needing a higher level of care. Once the proposed Amendment is executed, it will be effective for the full term of the Agreement, from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

Due to the unexpected nature of County processes this Agreement was not anticipated to be retroactive. BHRS began processing the Agreement as soon as the need was recognized, and the Amendment is before the Board of Supervisors with a retroactive effective date of July 1, 2023.

**Alternative Action/Motion:**

Return to staff for alternative handling.

**Strategic Plan Priority Designation:** A Safe and Healthy County

**Supervisory District:** All

**Vote Requirement:** Majority

**Supplemental Information Available Online At:** N/A

**Fiscal Details:**

**source of funding:** 4050

**current f/y cost:** \$410,000

**budget clarification:** Due to the diversity of clients, some specialized placement agreements with other contractors have been underutilized. Funding for this Amendment with California Psychiatric Transitions comes from the distribution of those unused LPS placements funds, which are immediately available for use.

**annual recurring cost:** N/A

**budgeted in current f/y (if no, please describe):** No. Additional funds come from underutilized agreements with other residential treatment contractor for fiscal year 23-24.

**revenue agreement:** No

**AGREEMENT/RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE APPROVED BY COUNTY COUNSEL:** Yes

**CEO Liaison:** Tony Rakes, Acting Deputy CEO

**CEO Review:** Yes

**CEO Comments:**

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Executed By: Atlas Pearson, Senior Deputy Clerk  
Date: February 6, 2024

Final Status: **Approved**  
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Number: 24-020

