



# Mendocino County

## Legislation Text

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**To: BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**From:** Social Services

**Meeting Date:** June 25, 2024

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**Item Type:** Consent Agenda

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

**Agenda Title:**

Approval of Agreement with National Training Consultants in the Amount of \$163,334, to Provide Facilitation of Family Empowerment Groups and Intake Support Groups for Department of Social Services, Family and Children's Services, Effective July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025

**Recommended Action/Motion:**

Approve Agreement with National Training Consultants in the amount of \$163,334, to provide facilitation of Family Empowerment Groups and Intake Support Groups for Department of Social Services, Family and Children's Services, effective July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025; authorize the Department of Social Services Director or designee to sign any future amendments to the Agreement that do not increase the annual maximum amount; and authorize Chair to sign same.

**Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:**

Ongoing Agreement, most recent action August 29, 2023, Item No. 3(as), Approval of Agreement No. 23-154.

**Summary of Request:**

National Training Consultants (NTC) provides phone and/or video conference facilitation for all Family Empowerment Groups (FEG), and for one Intake Support Group (ISG). FEG and ISG are required of parents in Family Reunification and Family Maintenance cases with Family and Children's Services (FCS), who have cases in the Mendocino County Juvenile Dependency Court. The proposed Agreement provides facilitators for up to five FEGs to serve FCS clients countywide for up to forty-five weeks, and for one ISG for north-county based clients for up to fifty weeks. The Agreement also covers costs associated with facilitation, travel, documentation, participation in Child and Family Team meetings, Case Conferences, and other reporting needs as required by FCS social workers.

Between September 1, 2023, and April 30, 2024, NTC spent an average of 133 hours per month facilitating six FEGs and one ISG, 29.5 hours a month for weekly group participation documentation and preparation of participant progress reports for court review hearings, and spent an average of 49.75 hrs. per month participating with an average of 28 clients a month in their progress or plan development, or Child and Family Team meetings.

**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:** Federal, State Realignment

**current f/y cost:** \$163,334

**budget clarification:** \$163,334

**annual recurring cost:** \$163,334

**budgeted in current f/y (if no, please describe):** Yes

**revenue agreement:** No

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

**CEO Liaison:** Executive Office

**CEO Review:** Yes

**CEO Comments:**

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Executed By: Atlas Pearson, Senior Deputy Clerk

Date: June 25, 2024

Final Status: **Approved**

Executed Item Type: Agreement

Number: 24-107

