



Mendocino County

Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: Health and Human Services Agency

Meeting Date: August 6, 2019

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Item Type: Consent Agenda

Time Allocated for Item: N/A

Agenda Title:

Approval of Retroactive Agreement with Vista Pacifica Center in the Amount of \$123,486 to Provide Residential Mental Health Treatment to Clients of the Health and Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services for the Term of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020

Recommended Action/Motion:

Approve retroactive Agreement with Vista Pacifica Center in the amount of \$123,486 to provide residential mental health treatment to clients of the Health and Human Services Agency, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services for the term of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020; authorize the Health and Human Services Agency 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 item since 2010, last action on June 5, 2018, Item 4(k), BOS Agreement No. 17-079-A1.

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, the Health and Human Services Agency (HHS), 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.

Vista Pacifica Center is one of a few residential care facilities able to provide services to Mendocino County

clients. Vista Pacifica Center, located in Jurupa Valley, CA, provides secure residential treatment programs and offers a broad range of services for adults requiring a structured environment due to mental health challenges. The goal of the Center 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 rehab 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. HHSA BHRS, requests Board approval of this Agreement with Vista Pacifica Center in order to comply with its mandate under the LPS Act.

HHSA submitted this Agreement along with seven other Agreements for approval by the Board of Supervisors on June 18, 2019. The June 18th agenda item was rejected because the Agreements could not be combined onto one agenda item. This process necessitated a retroactive start date.

Alternative Action/Motion:

Return to staff for alternative handling.

Supervisory District: All

vote requirement: Majority

Supplemental Information Available Online At: N/A

Fiscal Details:

source of funding: 4050

current f/y cost: \$123,486

annual recurring cost: \$123,486

budgeted in current f/y: Yes

if no, please describe:

revenue agreement: No

budget clarification:

Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel: Yes

CEO Liaison: Darcie Antle, Deputy CEO

CEO Review: Yes

CEO Comments:

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Executed By: Lindsey Dunham, Deputy Clerk I

Date: August 7, 2019

Final Status: **Approved**

Executed Item Number: **Agreement** Number: 19-200

Note to Department Number of Original Agreements
Returned to Dept: 3 Original Agreement Delivered to Auditor?
Yes

