

June 18, 2024

Board of Supervisors
County of Ventura
800 South Victoria Avenue
Ventura, CA 93009

SUBJECT: Approval of, and Authorization for the Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH) Director to Sign, Seven Amendments for Medi-Cal Specialty Mental Health Services, Increasing the Combined Maximum Amount from \$9,246,375 to \$9,924,976 (a Combined Increase of \$678,601), Effective July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025; Approval of, and Authorization for the VCBH Director to Make Limited Modifications and Extend the Term of the Agreements.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Approval of, and authorization for the Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH) Director or designee to sign, seven FY 2024-25 Amendments for Medi-Cal Specialty Mental Health Services (SMHS), with various providers increasing the combined contract maximum amount from \$9,246,375 to \$9,924,976 (a combined increase of \$678,601, from FY 2023-24) in the individual amounts specified in the table below, effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 (Exhibits 2-8). The seven Amendments are more fully described in Exhibit 1.

Exhibit #	Contractor	Contract Term	FY 2023-24 Current Contract Amount	FY 2024-25 Proposed Contract Amount	Increase/Decrease	Division Number
2	Golden Ventura CRT, LLC	7-1-24 to 6-30-25	\$2,163,380	\$2,370,000	\$206,620	3260
3	BH-VC Opco SP, LLC dba Jackson House Santa Paula (Jackson House)	7-1-24 to 6-30-25	\$2,300,000	\$2,420,000	\$120,000	3260
4	Turning Point Foundation (Growing Works)	7-1-24 to 6-30-25	\$512,994	\$632,994	\$120,000	3260

5	Turning Point Foundation (Rehab)	7-1-24 to 6-30-25	\$1,292,000	\$1,336,992	\$44,992	3200
6	PathPoint	7-1-24 to 6-30-25	\$568,000	\$620,000	\$52,000	3200
7	ASC Treatment Group (LA)	7-1-24 to 6-30-25	\$1,040,602	\$1,108,878	\$68,276	3200
8	ASC Treatment Group (Bakersfield)	7-1-24 to 6-30-25	\$1,369,399	\$1,436,112	\$66,713	3200
Total			\$9,246,375	\$9,924,976	\$678,601	

2. Authorization for the VCBH Director or designee to amend these agreements (a) decrease the amount of each agreement, (b) make contractual budget modifications that do not increase the amount of the agreement, (c) approve modifications to the Provider Service Rates that do not exceed 25% of the rates stated in the agreements and which do not increase the amount of the agreement, (d) make corrections, clarifications and technical changes to each agreement, when the changes are consistent with the original purpose of the agreement and do not result in additional costs to the County, and (e) revise or add language applicable to providers as required by the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), subject to County Counsel review and approval.
3. Authorization for the VCBH Director or designee to extend by amendments the term of the agreements referenced in Recommendation No. 1 (Exhibits 2-8), up to one (1) time for a period not to exceed one (1) year each, on the same or more favorable terms and conditions (with any changes in the Scope of Work to be consistent with the original purpose of the agreement), and for up to an amount not to exceed (a) the amount of each agreement specified above and (b) any Board-approved increase made to each agreement amount within FY 2024-25. All extensions would be subject to all necessary prior appropriations and other budgetary approvals by your Board and review and approval as to form by County Counsel.

FISCAL/MANDATES IMPACT:

MHSA Budget Unit #3260-3273 (CSS Adult Services)

Mandatory: No ☒ Yes ☐ Cite Authority:

Source of Funding: Proposition 63 MHSA Funds and Short-Doyle/Medi-Cal (SD/MC)

Federal Financial Participation (FFP)

Funding Match Required: No

Impact on Other Department(s): None

	<u>FY 2023-2024</u>	<u>FY 2024-2025</u>
Summary of Revenue and Total Costs		
Revenue:	\$0	\$5,422,994
Costs:		
Direct Cost	\$0	\$5,422,994
Indirect – Dept.	\$0	\$0
Total Costs	\$0	\$5,422,994
Net County Costs	\$0	\$0

FY 2023-24 Adjusted Budget for MHSa Budget Unit #3260-3273				
	Adopted Budget	Adjusted Budget	Projected Actual	Estimated Savings/(Deficit)
Appropriations	\$53,846,119	\$70,950,555	\$58,578,130	\$12,372,425
Revenue	\$52,705,680	\$68,914,773	\$64,901,526	(\$4,013,247)
Net Cost	\$1,140,439	\$2,035,782	(\$6,323,396)	\$8,359,178

Note: Revenue and appropriations are included in the FY24-25 preliminary budget for MHSa Budget Unit #3260-3273.

MHL Budget Unit #3200-3203 (Adult Services)

Mandatory: No [X] Yes [] Cite Authority:

Source of Funding: Short-Doyle/Medi-Cal (SD/MC) Federal Financial Participation (FFP); 1991 Realignment; and Tobacco Settlement.

Funding Match Required: No

Impact on Other Department(s): None

	<u>FY 2023-2024</u>	<u>FY 2024-2025</u>
Summary of Revenue and Total Costs		
Revenue:	\$0	\$4,501,982
Costs:		
Direct Cost	\$0	\$4,501,982
Indirect - Dept.	\$0	\$0
Total Costs	\$0	\$4,501,982
Net County Costs	\$0	\$0

FY 2023-24 Adjusted Budget for MHL Budget Unit #3200-3203				
	Adopted Budget	Adjusted Budget	Projected Actual	Estimated Savings/(Deficit)
Appropriations	\$29,410,404	\$33,674,256	\$34,702,264	(\$1,028,008)
Revenue	\$28,074,967	\$30,851,675	\$30,851,590	(\$85)
Net Cost	\$1,335,437	\$2,822,581	\$3,850,674	(\$1,028,093)

Note: Revenue and appropriations are included in the FY 2024-25 preliminary budget for MHL Budget Unit #3200-3203.

STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITY:

The item presented in this Board letter ties to the Healthy, Safe, and Resilient Communities strategic priority of the County Strategic Plan as it is designed to meet the goal of providing equitable and timely access to quality mental health services.

DISCUSSION:

Recommendation #1:

The contract amendments that are before your Board today are for amendments with a variety of VCBH providers who provide Medi-Cal SMHS services to the County's Mental Health plan to meet the needs of our members. The Contractors listed above in Recommendation #1 are also summarized in Exhibit 1. These services are provided in structured, clinically managed, residential and outpatient settings where members can learn the skills necessary to develop more independence in the community.

Contractor performance is reviewed throughout the fiscal year to ensure compliance with the contract goals and outcomes. The providers have complied with the terms and conditions of their Agreements in FY 2023-24 and performed satisfactorily in the delivery of the agreed upon services. When necessary, technical assistance has been provided to resolve any contractual or performance issues. VCBH is satisfied with the performance of these providers and anticipates that services to be provided under the renewed agreements will continue to meet or exceed expectations for service delivery in the next term. Ongoing monitoring will continue to be conducted throughout FY 2024-25 in order to review contract compliance and ensure the provision of appropriate high-quality services to members. These contracts also include contract changes related to insurance, licensure, language services, record retention and other non-substantive changes. Reasons for the increases in the contracts not to exceed amounts from FY 2023-24 to FY 2024-25 are listed in Exhibit 1. These agreements are funded with SD/MC FFP, Realignment, Tobacco Settlement and MHSA Funds.

VCBH requests approval of, and authorization for the VCBH Director or designee to sign, seven FY 2024-25 agreements for the provision of Medi-Cal SMHS services, increasing the combined maximum amounts of the agreements from \$9,246,375 to \$9,924,976 (a combined increase of \$678,601) as described in the table included in Recommendation #1 above and more fully described in Exhibit 1.

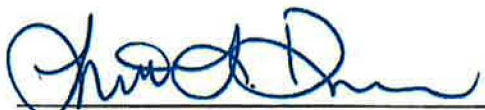
Recommendation #2:

In order to timely respond to needed changes to achieve contract goals and ensure costs are maintained within available funding and budgets, VCBH also requests authorization for the VCBH Director or designee to amend these agreements (a) decrease the amount of each agreement, (b) approve contractual budget modifications that do not increase the amount of the agreement, (c) approve modifications to the Provider Service Rates that do not exceed 25% of the rates stated in the agreements and which do not increase the amount of the agreement, (d) make corrections, clarifications, and technical changes to each agreement, when the changes are consistent with the original purpose of the agreement and do not result in additional costs to the County, and (e) revise or add language applicable to providers as required by the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), subject to County Counsel review and approval.

Recommendation #3:

VCBH requests authorization for the VCBH Director or designee to extend by amendments the term of the agreements referenced in Recommendation No. 1 (Exhibits 2-8), up to one (1) time for a period not to exceed one (1) year each, on the same or more favorable terms and conditions (with any changes in the Scope of Work to be consistent with the original purpose of the agreement), and for up to an amount not to exceed (a) the amount of each agreement specified above and (b) any Board-approved increase made to each agreement amount within FY 2024-25. All extensions would be subject to all necessary prior appropriations and other budgetary approvals by your Board and review and approval as to form by County Counsel.

This Board letter has been reviewed by the County Executive Office, Auditor Controller's Office, and County Counsel. If you have any questions regarding this item, please contact VCBH Interim Behavioral Health Director Loretta L. Denering DrPH, MS at (805) 981-2214 or HCA Assistant Chief Financial Officer Narcisa Egan at (805) 973-5357.



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Attachments:

- Exhibit 1 – FY 2024-25 Adult Medi-Cal Mental Health Contract Summary
- Exhibit 2 – FY 24-25 Golden Ventura CRT, LLC – Second Amendment
- Exhibit 3 – FY 24-25 Jackson House – Second Amendment
- Exhibit 4 – FY 24-25 Turning Point Foundation (Growing Works) – Second Amendment
- Exhibit 5 – FY 24-25 Turning Point Foundation (Rehab) – Second Amendment
- Exhibit 6 – FY 24-25 Pathpoint – Third Amendment
- Exhibit 7 – FY 24-25 ASC Treatment Group (Los Angeles) – Fourth Amendment
- Exhibit 8 – FY 24-25 ASC Treatment Group (Bakersfield) – Fourth Amendment