

Setting the Standard in Health Care Excellence

October 29, 2024

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

SUBJECT: Ratification and Approval of, and Authorization for the Purchasing Agent or Designee to Increase, the Purchase Order with The Regents of the University of California DBA UCI Medical Center, (Regents) Increasing the Maximum Amount From \$199,000 to \$400,000 (an increase of \$201,000), Effective April 23, 2024 Through April 23, 2025; Authorization for Limited Modifications.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Ratification and Approval of, and authorization for the Purchasing Agent (PA) or designee to increase, the purchase order with The Regents of the University of California, DBA UCI Medical Center (Regents) for treatment services, increasing the maximum amount from \$199,000 to \$400,000 (an increase of \$201,000), effective April 23, 2024 through April 23, 2025.
2. Authorization for the Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH) Director, PA, or their designees to amend the agreement to: (a) decrease the amount of the agreement or purchase order, (b) make contractual budget modifications that do not increase the amount of the agreement or purchase order, (c) make corrections, clarifications and technical changes to the agreement or purchase order, when the changes are consistent with the original purpose of the agreement and do not result in additional costs to the County, subject to County Counsel review and approval.

REASON FOR RATIFICATION

To continue timely care, VCBH authorized service delivery to a VCBH member which exceeded the originally anticipated agreement service delivery not to exceed amount. VCBH is presenting the amendment to the Services Agreement at the earliest opportunity for your Board's approval.

FISCAL/MANDATES IMPACT:

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

Mandatory: No ☒ Yes ☐ Cite Authority:

Source of Funding: Proposition 63 Mental Health Services Act (MHSA)

Funding Match Required: No

Impact on Other Department(s): None

	<u>FY 2024-2025</u>	<u>FY 2025-2026</u>
Summary of Revenue and Total Costs		
Revenue:	\$201,000	\$0
Costs:		
Direct Cost	\$201,000	\$0
Indirect – Dept.	\$0	\$0
Total Costs	\$201,000	\$0
Net County Costs	\$0	\$0

FY 2024-25 Adjusted Budget for MHSA CSS Adult Services BU #3260-3273				
	Adopted Budget	Adjusted Budget	Projected Actual	Estimated Savings/(Deficit)
Appropriations	\$72,040,338	\$72,040,338	\$72,040,338	\$0
Revenue	\$66,221,885	\$66,221,885	\$66,221,885	\$0
Net Cost	\$5,818,453	\$5,818,453	\$5,818,453	\$0

Note: Revenue and appropriations are included in the FY 2024-25 adjusted budget for MHSA Budget Unit #3260-3273.

STRATEGIC PLAN PRIORITY:

The item presented in this Board letter aligns to the diverse and innovative workforce dedicated to service excellence strategic priority of the County Strategic Plan as it is designed to meet the goal of leveraging innovative and continuous improvement to provide efficient and effective services.

DISCUSSION:

Recommendation #1:

The Regents of the University of California (Regents) operates the UCI Medical Center and UCI University Physicians & Surgeons provider group. The Medical Center offers a broad array of inpatient and outpatient medical and psychiatric services.

VCBH contracted with this provider through a single case agreement to provide urgently needed mental health treatment services to a VCBH member. VCBH selected this provider based on the provider's panel of services (e.g., inpatient psychiatry, electroconvulsive therapy [ECT], inpatient medical care, anesthesiology, etc.), ability to meet our member's level of care treatment needs, positive reputation among VCBH medical providers, and proximity to Ventura County. The original agreement was executed under authority delegated to the PA. A presentation to your Board for approval, is now needed due to the aggregate total not to exceed amount of the agreement exceeding the PA's authority. The request to your board will increase the purchase order not-to-exceed amount by \$201,000 to ensure there is adequate funding to cover services provided through April 23, 2025. This agreement is funded by MHSA.

VCBH recommends ratification and approval of, and authorization for the Purchasing Agent or designee to increase the maximum purchase order amount from \$199,000 to \$400,000 (an increase of \$201,000), effective April 23, 2024 through April 23, 2025.

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, PA, or their designees to amend this agreement or purchase order to: (a) decrease the amount of each agreement, (b) approve contractual budget modifications that do not increase the amount of the agreement, (c) 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, subject to County Counsel review and approval.

This Board letter has been reviewed by the County Executive Office, Auditor-Controller's Office, County Counsel, and General Services Agency Procurement Services. If you have any questions regarding this item, please contact VCBH 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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Behavioral Health Director

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THERESA CHO, MD, MHA
Health Care Agency Director

Attachments:

Exhibit 1 - UC Irvine LOA Contract 9336- A.P. redacted F.E.