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Subject: Approval of, and Authorization for the Human Services Agency Director to Sign, a Contract with San Diego State University Foundation, Effective October 15, 2024, through April 15, 2026, in an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$260,000, for Integrated Core Practice Model Training; and Authorization for the Human Services Agency Director to Approve and Sign Limited Contract Modifications Upon Certain Conditions.

Recommendations:

1. Approve, and authorize the Human Services Agency (HSA) Director, or designee, to sign, a contract with San Diego State University Foundation, dba San Diego State University Research Foundation, effective October 15, 2024, through April 15, 2026, in an amount not-to-exceed \$260,000 for the coordination and delivery of a multi-agency training of the California Integrated Core Practice Model (ICPM), an articulation of the shared values, core components, and standards of practice expected from those serving children, youth and families in our communities (Exhibit 1).
2. Authorize the HSA Director, or designee, to approve and sign limited contract modifications to (a) increase the amount of the contract up to 10%, (b) decrease the amount of the contract by any amount, or cancel the contract due to funding limitations or other circumstances allowable per contract terms, (c) extend the time of performance up to six months, and (d) make budget modifications, corrections, clarifications and technical changes, when the changes are consistent with the original purpose of the contract, subject to County Executive Office and County Counsel review and approval.

Fiscal/Mandates Impact:

Mandatory:	No
Source of Funding:	Federal, State, County
Funding Match Required:	No
Impact on other Departments:	No

Summary of Revenue and Costs:

	<u>FY 2024-25</u>	<u>FY 2025-26</u>
Revenue:		
Direct	\$50,000	\$80,000
Total Revenue	\$50,000	\$80,000
Costs:		
Direct	\$100,000	\$160,000
Indirect	Minimal	Minimal
Total Costs	\$100,000	\$160,000
Net County Cost	\$50,000	\$80,000

There is a net County cost of \$130,000 associated with these actions. There are sufficient revenues and appropriations in the HSA Budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25.

FY 2024-25 Budget Projections for HSA Program Operations – Div. 3410				
	Adopted Budget	Adjusted Budget	Projected Budget	Estimated Savings/(Deficit)
Appropriations	\$230,213,031	\$234,501,053	\$234,501,053	\$0
Revenue	\$201,054,039	\$201,054,039	\$201,054,039	\$0
Net Cost	\$29,158,992	\$33,447,014	\$33,447,014	\$0

Strategic Plan Priority:

The ICPM Training contributes to the Board of Supervisors’ 2024-2027 Strategic Plan priorities to provide a ‘Diverse and Innovative Workforce Dedicated to Service Excellence’, Goal (2) Leverage innovation and continuous improvement to provide efficient and effective services; and ‘Address Homelessness and Lift Up the Most Vulnerable’, Goal (2) Meet/sustain basic needs and be a reliable safety net for our vulnerable populations.

Discussion:

For well over a decade, the California Department of Social Services, the California Department of Health Care Services and all 58 California counties have collaborated in developing family and team engagement approaches and best practices to address the mental health needs of children and youth involved with child welfare and have built upon team-based practices with the goal of improving outcomes for children, youth and families.

Before your Board is a proposed contract for the San Diego State University Research Foundation to provide ICPM training to County agencies and their partner agencies. ICPM is a research-based behavioral practices and principles guide to support system of care partners and community-based providers in California with the most current best practices for the delivery of timely, effective and collaborative services to children, youth and families. The model emphasizes the importance of healing relationships, nurturing family, parents and caregivers, cultural appropriateness, and timely and accessible services for at-risk children and youth. The ICPM was developed with the recognition that abuse, neglect and

its related outcomes are not inevitable, and that all partners can strengthen children, youth, parents and families by building protective factors, e.g., parental resilience, knowledge of effective parenting and child development, child social and emotional development needs and strengths, positive social and cultural connections, and concrete support in times of need.

In mid-2022, Ventura County's system of care partners developed the Child, Youth and Family Wellness System with the vision of aligning government, community and family stakeholders to maximize wellness and quality of life so all children and their families are safe, healthy, educated and well, with a sense of belonging, purpose and opportunity to achieve their aspirations. The Wellness System partners—comprised of County agencies (Human Services Agency, Health Care Agency, and Probation Agency) as well as Tri-Counties Regional Center and the Ventura County Office of Education—have adopted the ICPM as their model for interagency collaboration and have committed to training all staff who directly or indirectly engage with children, youth and families. In addition, the ICPM training will be extended to include critical community partners that serve children and youth in dependency who have experienced severe trauma, bringing the training to an estimated 1,800 staff who work with children, youth and families. The Wellness System partners have agreed to share in the cost of delivering the training. Each agency's financial contribution will be outlined through a separate shared cost agreement.

We ask your Board to approve, and authorize the HSA Director to sign, the contract with San Diego State University Foundation, and authorize the HSA Director to approve and sign limited contract modifications as detailed in recommendation two.

This item has been reviewed by the County Executive Office, the Auditor-Controller's Office and County Counsel. If you have any questions, please contact me at 805-477-5301, or Leticia Morales, Interim Deputy Director, Children & Family Services, at 805-477-5311.


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Attachment:
Exhibit 1 – San Diego State University Foundation Integrated Core Practice Model Contract