DEPARTMENT: Human Services/BHRS

RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

It is respectfully recommended that your Board authorize: (1) an Amendment to the recently signed contract with Value Options as necessary to adjust provider rates; and (2) your Chairman to sign the contract.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

Please see attachment.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Please see attachment.

Financial Impact? ( ) Yes (X) No Current FY Cost: $
Budgeted In Current FY? ( ) Yes ( ) No ( ) Partially Funded
Amount in Budget: $
Additional Funding Needed: $
Source:
Internal Transfer
Unanticipated Revenue
Transfer Between Funds
Contingency
( ) General ( ) Other

Annual Recurring Cost: $

List Attachments, number pages consecutively
Board Memo, Page 1
Agreement, Pages 2 - 4

CLERK'S USE ONLY:
Res. No.: #S
Vote – Ayes: 5
Absent: ______
Approved
( ) Minute Order Attached ( ) No Action Necessary

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.

Date: ____________
Attest: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board
County of Mariposa, State of California
By: __________________________
Deputy

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:
( ) Requested Action Recommended
( ) No Opinion

Comments:

CAO: 99
October 17, 2006

TO: Members, Board of Supervisors
   Mike Coffield, Budget Officer
FROM: Cheryle Rutherford-Kelly
RE: Behavioral Health Contract Amendment for Specialty Mental Health Services with Value Options

Recommendation

It is respectfully recommended that your Board authorize: (1) an amendment to the recently signed contract with Value Options (VO) as necessary to adjust provider rates; and (2) authorize your Chairman to sign the contract.

Background/Current Situation

Mariposa County has contracted with Value Options (VO) since March 2004 for mental health medical specialty services for full scope Medi-Cal beneficiaries under the age of 18 placed outside of Mariposa County. The current contract was approved by the Board on July 11, 2006.

The provider rates covered in our current contract have been in effect since December 1, 2001 and are far below Value Options discounted fee-for-service rates. On September 28 Value Options sent the County a new fee schedule to become effective on December 1, 2006. A higher rate schedule is important to strengthen the network of psychiatrists and child psychiatrists available for County beneficiaries.

Financial

The cost of $39.94 per month per beneficiary is included in the current FY budget and is not impacted by this amendment. The cost of the individual service units are reimbursed through the Medi-Cal Program. There is no impact on County general funds.