RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2014-347

MEETING: July 15, 2014

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Human Services Director

RE: MOU with Blue Cross of California Partnership Plan

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Blue Cross of California Partnership Plan to coordinate patient physical and behavioral health care services and Authorize the Human Services Director to Sign the Memorandum of Understanding. (Subject to Review and Approval of County Counsel)

This is a new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Blue Cross of California Partnership Plan (Anthem).

The purpose of this MOU is to describe the responsibilities of Mariposa County Behavioral Health and Anthem in the delivery of specialty mental health services to Anthem members served by both parties. It is the intention of both parties to coordinate care between providers of physical and mental health care. There will be no exchange of funds between Anthem and Mariposa County Behavioral Health.

Mariposa County Behavioral Health is a Mental Health Plan (MHP), as defined in Title 9 California Code of Regulations (CCR), section 1810.226 and is required by the State Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to enter into an MOU with any Medi-Cal managed care plan providing health care services to MHP Medi-Cal beneficiaries in accordance with Title 9 CCR.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
If this MOU is not approved, DHCS may sanction Mariposa County Behavioral Health pursuant to paragraph (one), subdivision (e), Section 5775 for failure to comply with the requirements of Welfare & Institution Code, Section 5777.5.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
There will be no exchange of funds between Anthem and Mariposa County Behavioral Health. There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
Blue Cross of California MOU BH 2014 ongoing (PDF)
CAO RECOMMENDATION
Requested Action Recommended

RESULT:    ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:    John Carrier, District V Supervisor
SECONDER: Lee Stetson, District I Supervisor
AYES: Stetson, Jones, Bibby, Cann, Carrier