RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2015-471

MEETING: October 6, 2015

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Human Services Director

RE: MOU with California Health and Wellness Plan

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with California Health and Wellness Plan (CHWP) to coordinate patient physical and behavioral health care services, and authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the MOU.

The purpose of this MOU is to describe the responsibilities of Mariposa County Behavioral Health and CHWP in the delivery of specialty mental health services to CHWP 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 CHWP 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.

Mariposa County first entered into an MOU with CHWP on July 1, 2014, and this is referenced on the first page of the new MOU. The term of the new MOU that staff is requesting approval on with this Board item is August 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016, as stated in the Term section of the MOU.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Board approved the previous agreement with California Health and Wellness Plan on July 22, 2014, by Resolution 2014-371.

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 CHWP and Mariposa County Behavioral Health. There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
CAO RECOMMENDATION
Requested Action Recommended

Mary Hodson, CAO  7/16/2015

RESULT:  ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:  Marshall Long, District III Supervisor
SECONDER:  Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor
AYES:  Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Carrier