RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2016-664

MEETING: December 20, 2016

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Human Services Director

RE: Quest Community Counseling Mental Health Provider Contract Amendment

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve a First Amendment with Quest Community Counseling Services increasing the not to exceed amount by $50,000 for a new not to exceed amount of $130,000 to Provide Counseling Services for Mental Health Clients; and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Amendment.

The need for the services provided by this vendor have been greater than anticipated. In order to be able to continue using this vendor, the not to exceed amount of the original agreement must be increased.

Quest Community Counseling Services is a Medi-Cal certified provider and may provide counseling services to clients that have Medicare, Medi-Cal, and/or private insurance.

Medi-Cal clients referred to this contractor may be seen as long as necessary for the purpose of stabilization. Clients seen over a period of time must continue to meet medical necessity as evidenced by a yearly treatment plan update. All records for these referred clients must be kept in the Mariposa County Behavioral Health Anasazi Electronic Health Record system. Case documentation that meets professional standards must be kept in the Anasazi system, including acceptable updated assessments, treatment plans and progress notes. Documentation will be monitored by the Behavioral Health Utilization Review Committee. All independent contractors will work under the guidelines established by the Mental Health Services Contract currently in effect between the Human Services Department and the State Department of Mental Health as outlined in Exhibit A of the contract.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The current agreement for this facility was approved by the Board on July 19, 2016, by Resolution Number 2016-387.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
This community provider Amendment will continue to increase total Medicare and/or Medi-Cal billing through Mariposa County Behavioral Health. If the Amendment is not approved, total billing may be decreased and we may have longer wait times for clients
to be served.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**
There is sufficient funding in the Behavioral Health budget to accommodate the requested increase in the compensation amount. This provider generates Medical revenue that offsets the costs of the contract. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

**ATTACHMENTS:**
Quest Community Counseling Services 1st Amendment 2017 (DOC)
Quest Community Counseling Services PSA 2017 (PDF)

**CAO RECOMMENDATION**
Requested Action Recommended

*Mary Hodson*
Mary Hodson, CAO 12/14/2016

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