RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2018-8

MEETING: January 9, 2018

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Human Services Director

RE: Addendum to MOU with California Health and Wellness Plan

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve an Addendum to the 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 Addendum to the existing MOU is to describe the responsibilities of Mariposa County Behavioral Health and CHWP in the coordination and delivery of alcohol and Substance Use Disorder Treatment Services (SUDS) to CHWP members served by both parties. It is the intention of both parties to coordinate care between providers of physical and behavioral health care. There will be no exchange of funds between CHWP and Mariposa County Behavioral Health.

On April 25, 2016 the Managed Care Final Rule was issued by Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). This rule was adopted by the state of California and released contract regulatory changes to CHWP and the County of Mariposa, effective July 1st 2017. The Managed Care Final Rule builds on Medicaid reform introduced by the Affordable Care Act and seeks to align Medicaid with Medicare Advantage and Exchange regulations. In accordance with exhibit A, attachment 12 provision 2.H, the CHWP is required to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the County of Mariposa for alcohol and substance use disorder treatment services.

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. The term of this Addendum is July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, as stated in the Term section of the existing MOU.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Board approved the existing agreement with California Health and Wellness Plan on August 22, 2017, by Resolution 2017-571.
The Board approved the previous agreement with California Health and Wellness Plan on July 26, 2016, by Resolution 2016-396.

**ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**
If this MOU is not approved, CMS and/or DHCS may sanction Mariposa County Behavioral Health pursuant to paragraph (one), subdivision (e), Section 5775 for failure to comply with the requirements of the Managed Care Final Rule and/or 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:**
CA Health and Wellness MOU Addendum - Wcsignature December 7 2017 (PDF)
CA Health and Wellness MOU - Wsignature Aug 29 2017 (PDF)

**RESULT:** ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
**MOVER:** Marshall Long, District III Supervisor
**SECONDER:** Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
**AYES:** Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Menetrey