MEETING: March 26, 2019

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Health and Human Services Director

RE: First Amendment - Quest Community Counseling Mental Health Provider Contract

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve an amendment to the agreement with Quest Community Counseling Services, increasing the maximum amount by $60,000 for a new amount not to exceed $160,000; and authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to sign the amendment.

The client demand for this contractor's services has exceeded projections. The Agreement costs are offset by Medi-Cal revenue claimed for services performed. This agreement is cost neutral to the County and there is no impact to the County General Fund. 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 (EHR) 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 Health and Human Services Agency 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 17, 2018, by Resolution Number 2018-346.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
If the agreement is not approved, we may have longer wait times for clients to be served.
Resolution - Action Requested 2019-156

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
This contract will continue to be paid within the Mental Health budget unit.
Contract costs are offset by Medi-Cal revenue claimed for services performed.
This contract is cost neutral to the County and there is no impact to the County General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
Quest Agreement 2019 - Wsignatures (PDF)
First Amendment - Quest Agreement 2019 - Wcsignature (PDF)

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor
SECONDER: Kevin Cann, District IV Supervisor
AYES: Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Menetrey
FIRST AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR COUNSELING SERVICES

THIS FIRST AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR COUNSELING SERVICES is made and entered into this 21st day of March, 2019, by and between the County of Mariposa, a political subdivision of the State of California, hereinafter referred to as “County,” and Quest Community Counseling Services, hereinafter referred to as “Contractor.”

WHEREAS, County and Contractor have heretofore entered into an Agreement dated July 17, 2018, wherein Contractor agreed to provide counseling services; and

WHEREAS, County and Contractor desire to amend said Agreement to change the compensation to be provided to Contractor;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto in consideration of the mutual covenants herein recited, hereby agree as follows:

1. Paragraph 3, “COMPENSATION”, is hereby amended to provide that an additional $60,000 will be added to the original amount of $100,000, making the total compensation paid to Contractor the not to exceed amount of $160,000.

2. Except as herein amended, the agreement dated July 17, 2018 shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Amendment to be executed on the date first above written.

COUNTY OF MARIPOSA:

Miles Menetrey, Chair
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

CONTRACTOR:

(Signature)

ATTEST:

RENE LAROCHE
Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

STEVEN W. DAHLEM
County Counsel