RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2019-280

MEETING: May 28, 2019

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Health and Human Services Director

RE: First Amendment - Agreement with Benchmark Behavioral Health System

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve a First Amendment with Benchmark Behavioral System, Inc. Increasing the Not-To-Exceed Amount by $20,000 for a New Not-to-Exceed Amount of $102,000; and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Amendment.

Benchmark Behavioral System, Inc. provides a comprehensive scope of services for youth with severe behavioral issues. Benchmark provides a multi-disciplinary approach to quality care in a setting near Salt Lake City, Utah. Benchmark provides Individual, Group, and Family Therapy; Medical and Psychiatric Care; Psychological Testing; Nursing Care; Nutritional Services; Academics; Therapeutic Recreation; and Vocational Programs. Facilities that provide comprehensive care for youth with such serious needs are in very short supply. Staff conducted an extensive search for an appropriate placement with an opening and could not locate a suitable facility in California. The Child Welfare Services Unit and Mental Health programs has a need to continue placement in this type of facility.

This Amendment is needed because a client stayed longer than expected causing costs to overrun the original maximum.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Board of Supervisors approved an agreement for Benchmark Behavioral Health System, Inc. on August 7, 2018 by Resolution 2018-385.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
Health and Human Services utilizes this facility to serve youth with severe treatment needs. If this amendment is not approved, Mariposa County Behavioral Health will be unable to pay for the full duration of a client stay in this facility.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
Funding for this contract is incorporated in the FY18/19 budget for the Behavioral Health budget unit 001-0402. There is no impact to the General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
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1st Amendment - Benchmark BHS Agreement 2019 Wcsignature (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
FIRST AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR COUNSELING SERVICES

THIS FIRST AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR COUNSELING SERVICES is made and entered into this 28th day of May 2019, by and between the County of Mariposa, a political subdivision of the State of California hereinafter referred to as “County,” and Benchmark Behavioral Health System, Inc., hereinafter referred to as “Contractor.”

WHEREAS, County and Contractor have heretofore entered into an Agreement dated August 7, 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 $20,000 will be added to the original amount of $82,000, making the total compensation paid to Contractor not to exceed amount of $102,000.

2. Except as herein amended, the Agreement dated August 7, 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:

[Signature]
Miles Menetrey, Chair
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

CONTRACTOR:

[Signature]
4/13/19

ATTEST:

[Signature]
RENE LAROCHE
Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]
STEVEN W. DAHLEM
County Counsel

LAST UPDATED 3/7/19