RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2020-402

MEETING: July 14, 2020

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Eric Sergienko, Health Officer/Acting HHSA Director

RE: Telecare Mental Health Services Agreement with Health and Human Services Agency

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve an Agreement with Telecare to provide mental health services for Mariposa County Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) in an amount not to exceed $225,000; and authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to sign the Agreement.

The County does not operate inpatient hospital facilities and therefore agreements for such placements. Multiple agreements are necessary to meet the potential need for mental health emergency services because beds are in short supply throughout California. If the County limits the number of agreements, there may come a time when someone is a danger to himself/herself or others and no bed space is available.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
Board of Supervisors approved the most recent agreement with Telecare on October 15, 2019 through Resolution No. 2019-600.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
If this agreement is not approved, HHSA crisis response workers may have greater difficulty in placing clients who require emergency psychiatric hospitalization.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
This contract will be paid from the Behavioral Health budget unit 001-0402. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
Telecare Agreement 2021 - Wcsignature (PDF)

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