RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2021-163

MEETING: April 6, 2021

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Shannon Gadd, Health and Human Services Agency Director

RE: Amendment - Rural Health Telecom Contract

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve an Amendment to the Three Year Agreement with TeleQuality Communications, Inc., including required cost information in the agreement; and authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to sign the amendment.

The NxT1_6Mbps connection represents an upgraded connection at the Coulterville office and will allow the Department to use computer technology at a much greater capacity for services such as Telepsychiatry, Anasazi, C-IV, etc.

The Department had a T1 connection several years ago that was very costly and seldom used because the systems were still server-based applications. Since the introduction of Internet based systems, staff and clients in the Coulterville area have obtained more access to services without added transportation costs and at a greater convenience. Health and Human Services (HHSA) continues to seek opportunities to improve existing infrastructure, resulting in increased efficiency and effectiveness of service delivery.

To ensure that full payment of services is rendered, HHSA is requesting an amendment for the inclusion of the monthly cost for the lease of a router into the agreement.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Agency had an existing agreement with TeleQuality Communications, approved by Board of Supervisors through Resolution No. 2017-233 on April 25, 2017.

Board of Supervisors approved an amended agreement with TeleQuality Communications on May 22, 2018 through Resolution No. 2018-233.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
If this amendment is not approved, use of the Anasazi mental health computer system and C-IV eligibility system will not be possible, thus keeping services in the Coulterville area at a minimal level.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
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This item was anticipated and budgeted in the Human Services Behavioral Health FY20/21 Budget.

ATTACHMENTS:
First Amendment - Amended TeleQuality Agreementv5 (PDF)
TeleQuality Amended Agmt. 2018-2020 - Wsignatures - 18-233(PDF)

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Miles Menetrey, District V Supervisor
SECONDER: Wayne Forsythe, District IV Supervisor
AYES: Smallcombe, Sweeney, Long, Forsythe, Menetrey
FIRST AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

THIS FIRST AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES is made and entered into this __6th__ day of __April___, 2021, by and between the County of Mariposa, a political subdivision of the State of California, hereinafter referred to as “County,” and TeleQuality Communications, Inc.(dba ENA), hereinafter referred to as “Contractor.”

WHEREAS, County and Contractor have heretofore entered into an Agreement dated May 22, 2018, wherein Contractor agreed to provide information technology 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. Page 1 “CIRCUIT INFORMATION”, is hereby amended to provide that an additional cost information “Monthly Router Lease - $20” to be included in table and paid to Contractor.

2. Except as herein amended, the agreement dated May 22, 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:  

Marshall Long, Chair  
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors  

CONTRACTOR:  

Rex Miller  
(Signature)

COUNTERSIGNED:  

RENE LAROCHE  
Clerk of the Board  

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  

Steven W. Dahlem  
County Counsel