RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2019-141

MEETING: March 19, 2019

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Health and Human Services Director

RE: First Amendment with Willow Glen Care Center to Provide Inpatient Services

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Approve a First Amendment with Willow Glen Care Center to Provide Inpatient Mental Health Rehabilitation Services for Mariposa County Behavioral Health Increasing the Agreement by $150,000 for a New Not-to-Exceed Amount of $300,000; and Authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to Sign the Amendment.

Mariposa County Behavioral Health (MCBH) wishes to increase this agreement because the demand for inpatient mental health rehabilitation services has exceeded the existing contract maximum.

The County does not operate inpatient mental health rehabilitation facilities and therefore contracts 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 would likely come a time that someone were in danger to themselves or others, and no bed space would be available. The demand for this service has been greater than anticipated and the compensation amount in the original Agreement needs to be increased in order to continue to use this vendor to provide this type of service. The Agency has been satisfied with the services provided by this vendor.

This agreement will continue to be paid in the Behavioral Health budget.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The existing agreement with Willow Glen Care Center was approved by the Board June 12, 2018 by Resolution 2018-256.

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

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
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There are sufficient funds in the Behavioral Health Budget to cover the requested increase in the contract amount. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
Willow Glen Center Agmt. 2019 - Wsignatures (PDF)
First Amendment - Willow Glen Center Agreement 2019 (PDF)

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