



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO. **C17**

For the meeting of: February 27, 2018

Date: November 17, 2017

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Connie Beck, Director  
Department of Health and Human Services

*Connie Beck  
for County Board  
2/6/18*

Subject: First Amendment to the Agreement with National Council on Crime and Delinquency (NCCD) Children's Research Center and the Department of Health and Human Services for Fiscal Years 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1) Approve the First Amendment to the Agreement with the National Council on Crime and Delinquency (NCCD) Children's Research Center for the period of June 13, 2017 through June 30, 2020 to provide policy and procedure revision, workflow analysis, technical assistance, Structured Decision Making training and leadership coaching in the Humboldt Practice Model for the Department of Health and Human Services;
- 2) Authorize the Chairperson to execute three (3) originals of the Agreement;
- 3) Authorize the DHHS-Child Welfare Services Director to amend program elements of the Agreement as necessary after review and approval by County Counsel and Risk Management; and
- 4) Direct the Clerk of the Board to route two (2) fully executed originals of the Agreement to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)-Contract Unit for further processing.

Prepared by Katie Collender, Staff Services Analyst CAO Approval *[Signature]*

REVIEW: Auditor *[Signature]* County Counsel *[Signature]* Personnel \_\_\_\_\_ Risk Manager *[Signature]* Other \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF ITEM:  
 Consent  
 Departmental  
 Public Hearing  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**  
Upon motion of Supervisor Wilson Seconded by Supervisor Bass  
Ayes Bass, Fennell, Sundberg, Bohn, Wilson  
Nays \_\_\_\_\_  
Abstain \_\_\_\_\_  
Absent \_\_\_\_\_

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. C-14

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and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this Board report.

Dated: 2/27/18  
By: *[Signature]*  
Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Social Services Funds

DISCUSSION:

The National Council on Crime and Delinquency (NCCD) Children's Research Center (CRC) works to improve child safety, permanency and well-being by working with state and local agencies to implement risk-based decision-support systems for child protection. NCCD/CRC helps child-serving agencies improve direct practice and organizational operations using models that integrate evidence-based assessments, family-centered engagement strategies, and implementation science.

On June 13, 2017, your Board approved the current Agreement with NCCD to provide technical assistance, training and coaching in the Structured Decision Making (SDM) tools and leadership coaching in the Humboldt Practice Model implementation.

With the execution of this First Amendment to the Agreement, NCCD will support and assist with system improvements as identified by partners and other agencies, as well as the requirements set by the Attorney General of the State of California. NCCD will also assist Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) – Child Welfare Services (CWS) in meeting requirements of the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act (CANRA). These activities include providing technical assistance, training and coaching to align DHHS practice with California Department of Social Services (CDSS) Division 31 requirements; recent developments in SDM assessments; best-practice uses of SDM aggregate data and Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) activities; links between SDM and the Humboldt Practice Model; and best practices in training, coaching, and supervision.

NCCD will assist DHHS in building internal SDM coaching capacity and increasing the ability of its leadership to recognize, understand, and appreciate cultural differences and the impact of race, historical trauma, class, gender, sexual orientation and other 'isms' on individuals, their management decisions, the larger organization and the youth/families they serve in accordance with SDM as a core element of the Humboldt Practice Model.

Therefore, DHHS recommends that the Board approves and authorizes the Chair to execute this First Amendment to the Agreement for the period of June 13, 2017 through June 30, 2020.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The term of the current NCCD contract was June 13, 2017 to June 30, 2019 for a maximum of Three Hundred Eight Thousand Two Hundred Five Dollars (\$308,205) over those two years. The First Amendment will extend the term through June 30, 2020 and increase the amount by Seven Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Dollars (\$783,000). The maximum costs associated with the NCCD First Amendment to the Agreement for the three-year term of June 13, 2017 through June 30, 2020 will be for Dollars (\$1,091,205).

The First Amendment to the agreement will continue to reside in fund 1160, budget unit 508 – Child Welfare Services. Funding for this agreement is a combination of federal, state and local dollars. There is sufficient appropriation to cover the estimated cost for fiscal year 2017-18 of Three Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred and Five Dollars (\$363,735.00). The remainder will be included in the proposed budgets for fiscal year 2018-19 and 2019-20. There is no anticipated impact to the county general fund.

This proposed change supports the Board's Strategic Framework by creating opportunities for improved health and safety, and protecting vulnerable populations.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

N/A

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board could choose to not approve the First Amendment to the Agreement for NCCD to provide these services. This alternative is not recommended as without the services and support of NCCD CWS will be unable to meet the requirements set forth by the Attorney General of the State of California.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Professional Services Agreement between NCCD and Humboldt County
2. First Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement between NCCD and Humboldt County (3 originals)