



# COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 12/15/2020

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File #: 20-1529

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

**From:** DHHS: Behavioral Health

**Agenda Section:** Consent

**SUBJECT:**

Professional Services Agreement with the Humboldt County Office of Education Regarding the Continued Development of a Multi-Tiered System of Support Coalition within Humboldt County

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve, and authorize the Chair of the Board to execute, the attached memorandum of understanding with the Humboldt County Office of Education regarding the continued development of a Multi-Tiered System of Support Coalition within Humboldt County for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021;
2. Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services - Behavioral Health Director, or a designee thereof, to execute any subsequent amendments to the attached memorandum of understanding with the Humboldt County Office of Education after review, and approval by County Counsel, Risk Management and the County Administrative Office; and
3. Direct the Clerk of the Board to return one (1) fully executed original copy of the attached memorandum of understanding with the Humboldt County Office of Education to the Department of Health and Human Services - Contract Unit for further processing.

**SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

Behavioral Health Fund

**DISCUSSION:**

The Multi-Tiered System of Support (“MTSS”) is an organizational method used to implement the Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports curriculum which is designed to provide a continuum of care for all students and the implementation of prevention as an intervention through family involvement and culturally competent interventions that are sensitive to all student groups and families.

On May 7, 2019 (Item C-24), the Board of Supervisors approved the previous memorandum of understanding with the Humboldt County Office of Education regarding the development of a MTSS Coalition within Humboldt County for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. Pursuant to the terms and conditions of the attached memorandum of understanding, the Humboldt County Office

of Education will employ a Prevention and Intervention Specialist to assist with the continued development and support of a MTSS Coalition within Humboldt County for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. The continued development of the MTSS Coalition will reinforce the Humboldt County Office of Education's mission of establishing and maintaining programs that contribute to the educational enrichment, health, safety and wellbeing of children living within Humboldt County.

It should be noted that the attached memorandum of understanding with the Humboldt County Office of Education comes to the Board after the start date thereof due to inadvertent delays that occurred during the contract development process.

Accordingly, the Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services - Behavioral Health ("DHHS - Behavioral Health") recommends that the Board approve, and authorize the Chair of the Board to execute, the attached memorandum of understanding with the Humboldt County Office of Education regarding the continued development of a MTSS Coalition within Humboldt County. It is also recommended that the Board authorize the DHHS - Behavioral Health Director, or a designee thereof, to execute any and all subsequent amendments to the attached memorandum of understanding with the Humboldt County Office of Education, after review and approval by County Counsel, Risk Management and the County Administrative Office, in order to avoid any unnecessary delays in the further development of a MTSS Coalition within Humboldt County.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The attached memorandum of understanding with the Humboldt County Office of Education has a maximum amount payable of Sixty-One Thousand Nine-Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$61,920.00) for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. However, if local, state or federal funding is reduced or eliminated, the County of Humboldt may reduce the above-referenced maximum amount payable or terminate the attached memorandum of understanding with the Humboldt County Office of Education in its entirety.

Expenditure appropriations related to the attached memorandum of understanding with the Humboldt County Office of Education have been included in the approved fiscal year 2020-2021 budget for DHHS - Mental Health Services Act budget unit 1170-477. Funding for the attached memorandum of understanding with the Humboldt County Office of Education is available through Mental Health Services Act revenues received by DHHS - Behavioral Health for prevention and early intervention programs. As a result, approval of the attached memorandum of understanding with the Humboldt County Office of Education will not impact the Humboldt County General Fund.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

The recommended actions support the Board of Supervisors' Strategic Framework by protecting vulnerable populations, providing opportunities for improved safety and health and providing community-appropriate levels of services.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None

**ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The Board may choose not to approve the attached memorandum of understanding with the Humboldt County Office of Education regarding the continued development of a MTSS Coalition within Humboldt County. However, this alternative is not recommended since the continued development of a MTSS Coalition within Humboldt County will allow the for the improvement of school climates that is necessary to meet the social, emotional and educational needs of students and families in the Humboldt County school system.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Memorandum of Understanding with Humboldt County Office of Education Regarding the Continued Development of a Multi-Tiered System of Support Coalition within Humboldt County

**PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:**

Board Order No.: C-8; C-8; C-16; C-12; C-24

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