

# **COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**

For the meeting of: 12/4/2018

File #: 18-1536

To: Board of Supervisors

From: DHHS: Mental Health

#### SUBJECT:

First Amendment to the Mental Health Organizational Provider Services Agreement with Victor Treatment Centers, Inc. Regarding the Provision of Children's Specialty Mental Health Treatment Services to Eligible Medi-Cal Beneficiaries Residing in Humboldt County

# RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors approve, and authorize the Chair of the Board to execute, the attached first amendment to the mental health organizational provider services agreement with Victor Treatment Centers, Inc. regarding the provision of children's specialty mental health treatment services for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019; and direct the Clerk of the Board to return two (2) fully executed original copies of the attached first amendment to the Department of Health and Human Services - Contract Unit for further processing.

#### SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Mental Health Fund

#### DISCUSSION:

The Board of Supervisors has authorized the Department of Health and Human Services - Mental Health ("DHHS - Mental Health") to operate the County of Humboldt's Mental Health Plan. The provision of specialty mental health treatment services to all Medi-Cal beneficiaries residing in Humboldt County that meet necessary criteria is, and will remain, the responsibility of DHHS - Mental Health. Therefore, since April 1998, DHHS - Mental Health has contracted with qualified specialty mental health providers, including Victor Treatment Centers, Inc., who have historically served Medi-Cal beneficiaries residing in Humboldt County. DHHS - Mental Health has established a provider network with in-county as well as out-of-county providers for referrals of Medi-Cal beneficiaries residing in Humboldt County to ensure that such beneficiaries have a choice of appropriate providers.

On June 26, 2018 (item C-17), the Board approved the current mental health organizational provider services agreement with Victor Treatment Centers, Inc., an out-of-county organizational provider, for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. The attached first amendment to the above-referenced mental health organizational provider services agreement will increase the maximum amount payable thereunder in order to cover unexpected utilization of the children's specialty mental health treatment services provided by Victor Treatment Centers, Inc.

Accordingly, DHHS - Mental Health recommends that the Board of Supervisors approve, and authorize the Chair of the Board to execute, the attached first amendment to the mental health organizational provider services agreement with Victor Treatment Centers, Inc. regarding the provision of children's specialty mental health treatment services to eligible Medi-Cal beneficiaries residing in Humboldt County.

## FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The attached first amendment to the mental health organizational provider services agreement with Victor Treatment Centers, Inc. will increase the maximum amount payable thereunder from One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Forty-Three Dollars (\$114,043.00) to Three Hundred Fourteen Thousand Forty-Three Dollars (\$314,043.00) for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. 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 mental health organizational provider services agreement with Victor Treatment Centers, Inc. in its entirety.

Expenditure appropriations related to the attached first amendment to the mental health organizational provider services agreement with Victor Treatment Centers, Inc. have been included in the approved fiscal year 2018-2019 budget for DHHS - Mental Health

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Administration budget unit 1170-424. Funding for the children's specialty mental health treatment services provided by Victor Treatment Centers, Inc. is available through federal Medi-Cal financial participation and state realignment for mental health managed care and early periodic screening diagnosis and treatment. As a result, approval of the attached first amendment to the mental health organizational provider services agreement with Victor Treatment Centers, Inc. will not impact the Humboldt County General Fund.

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

## OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

None

## ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board could choose not to approve the attached first amendment to the mental health organizational provider services agreement with Victor Treatment Centers, Inc. regarding the provision of children's specialty mental health treatment services to eligible Medi-Cal beneficiaries residing in Humboldt County. However, this alternative is not recommended because it would require DHHS - Mental Health to directly provide the children's specialty mental health treatment services currently being provided by Victor Treatment Centers, Inc., which is not feasible at this time.

#### ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. First Amendment to the Mental Health Organizational Provider Services Agreement with Victor Treatment Centers, Inc. Regarding the Provision of Children's Specialty Mental Health Treatment Services dated June 26, 2018
- 2. Mental Health Organizational Provider Services Agreement with Victor Treatment Centers, Inc. Regarding the Provision of Children's Specialty Mental Health Treatment Services dated June 26, 2018

#### PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: C-6, C-15, C-9, C-16, C-30, C-26, C-17

Meeting of: 8/20/13, 8/12/14, 12/9/14, 8/18/15, 6/28/16, 6/27/17, 6/26/18