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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: July 8, 2025
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Jeff Goldman
Probation Department

SUBJECT: Resolution approving the execution of a renewal contract with Dr. Kristen O'Shea, PhD in the amount of \$85,000 for the contract period of July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026, to provide psychotherapy services for Probation clients that do not meet criteria to be served by Nevada County Behavioral Health.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the Resolution.

FUNDING: This contract in the amount of \$85,000 for fiscal year 2025-2026, is 100% funded by a combination of State Community Corrections Performance funds (SB678) and State Local Community Corrections Account apportionment (AB109) funds. Funding is included in the fiscal year 2025-2026 budget and no budget amendment is needed. No general funds are required.

BACKGROUND:

AB 109 legislation requires each county to maintain its own Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) plan regarding use of sanctions and evidence-based practices to supervise, improve services and reduce recidivism. The fiscal year 2025-2026 CCP budget allocates monies for the purposes of providing therapy services for Probation clients in fiscal year 2025-2026.

The contract with Dr. Kristen O'Shea, PhD for fiscal year 2025-2026, serves probation clients that do not typically meet criteria to receive county behavioral health services or are not currently considered severely mentally ill. While mental health problems are generally not risk factors for criminal behavior according to the Risk-Needs-Responsivity (RNR) framework of correctional psychology practice, prevalence rates are very high and RNR principles suggest that mental health as a responsivity variable may moderate the success of interventions targeted to criminogenic needs.

This contract supports the mission of Nevada County Probation in providing support for probationers' achievement of successful reintegration back into their families and communities.

Respectfully submitted,

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Item Initiated by: Angelina Coffey, Administrative Services Officer
Approved by: Jeff Goldman, Chief Probation Officer