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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: December 14, 2021

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Phebe Bell

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of the renewal Agreement between the Behavioral Health Department and Nevada Joint Union High School District (NJUHSD) related to the provision of Educationally Related Mental Health Services at NJUHSD Campuses for students identified as having a mental health need in the maximum amount of \$17,000 for September 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: Pursuant to this Agreement, Nevada Joint Union High School District is agreeing to reimburse Behavioral Health for providing a registered intern or a licensed clinical therapist to provide mental health services at various NJUHSD campuses. The maximum receivable amount under this Agreement is \$17,000 for the term of the agreement. There are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND: Under this renewal Agreement, Behavioral Health is agreeing to provide qualified personnel for the provision of mental health services to high school students who have been identified as having an educationally related mental health need. The registered intern or licensed therapist will be available via telehealth or at NJUHSD Campuses, Monday through Friday (schedule as mutually agreed upon), to provide assessments, individual therapy, case management, crisis intervention, and treatment services to students who have been screened and have educationally related mental health needs. During the times the registered intern/ therapist is not in therapeutic sessions, registered intern/therapist will be available for consultation with teachers, and as needed for intervention and crisis management. In addition, Collateral or Parent Counseling may be provided to address the needs of any significant support person in the child's life to gain greater understanding of the child's special needs and how to best support the child in reducing symptoms and achieving the goals of the child's service plan.

The goals of this Agreement are to: ensure continuation of access to mental health services for students regardless of the students' Medi-Cal status, to improve the mental health and well-being of students, provide a coordinated identification and referral process to community agencies for mental health services; and to improve school staffs' education regarding mental health needs/high risk behaviors.

This agreement was developed as a cooperative arrangement, and it is recommended that the Board of Supervisors approves the agreement as it will allow for the continuation of services which promote the mental well-being of students.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Phebe Bell, MSW, Director of Behavioral Health