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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: February 25, 2025

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Phebe Bell

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of a Participation Agreement to authorize

Nevada County to participate in the California Mental Health Services Authority Credentialing and Recredentialing for California County Behavioral Health Plans Program for the provision of credentialing, recredentialing, and monthly monitoring for the term of March 1, 2025 through July 31, 2026 in the maximum amount of \$65,800 and

authorizing and directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the Behavioral

Health Department's Budget for Fiscal Year 2024/25 (4/5 Affirmative

Vote Required).

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

<u>FUNDING</u>: Services provided under this contract support the Behavioral Health Department in billing Medi-Cal for Specialty Mental Health and Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System Services, resulting in receipt of Federal Financial Participation revenues. This contract will be funded by Medi-Cal and Drug Medi-Cal Quality Assurance/Utilization and/or Administration funds, as well as 1991 and 2011 Realignment. A budget amendment is required and included in this Resolution. There are no county general funds required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND: The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) require uniform provider credentialing and recredentialing per DHCS Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services Information Notice Number 18-019: Provider Credentialing and Recredentialing for Mental Health Plans and DMC-ODS Counties and DHCS Behavioral Health Information Notice Number 22-070.

Nevada County Behavioral Health Department would like to enter into a contract with CalMHSA for Credentialing and Recredentialing for California County Behavioral Health Plans Program to meet federal and state requirements. This is a large administrative task with potential fiscal implications that can be efficiently outsourced, which would allow our staff to focus their

attention on other new federal and state initiatives.

It is recommended that the Board approve this Participation Agreement as it will allow Nevada County Behavioral Health to more easily meet state and federal requirements.

Approved by: Phebe Bell, MSW, Behavioral Health Director