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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: March 14, 2023

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Phebe Bell**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving acceptance of funds from the Department of Health Care Services under the Capacity and Infrastructure, Transition, Expansion and Development (CITED) Program, which is part of the California Providing Access and Transforming Health (PATH) Initiative for the purpose of supporting the Enhanced Care Management team in the maximum amount of \$336,533 for the term of July 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023 and directs the Auditor-Controller to amend the Behavioral Health Budget for fiscal year 2022/23 (4/5 vote required).

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING:

The funding is from the California Department of Health Care Services. Nevada County has been awarded \$336,533 of CalAIM PATH CITED funds to support implementation of an Enhanced Care Management team. A budget amendment is required and included in this Resolution. A budget amendment is included and requires a 4/5 vote by the Board Members. There are not county general fund dollars required.

BACKGROUND:

CalAIM is a multi-year California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) initiative to improve the quality of life and health outcomes of the Medi-Cal managed care population through the implementation of broad delivery system, program, and payment reforms across the Medi-Cal program. Enhanced Care Management (ECM) is a team-based, in-person care management and care coordination benefit delivered by a network of primary care and community-based entities. Community Supports (CS) consists of 14 services that Medi-Cal managed care plans can choose to offer members. These programs are intended to prioritize prevention, address social drivers of health, reduce health disparities, and are authorized under the CalAIM Section 1115 demonstration and CalAIM Section 1915(b) waiver.

To ensure effective implementation of ECM and Community Supports programs, DHCS has created the CalAIM Providing Access and Transforming Health (PATH) Capacity, Infrastructure,

Transition, Expansions and Development (CITED) funds to be invested in these new programs. Through PATH CITED, DHCS is giving grants to qualified provider organizations who are operating ECM and CS programs in order to build their capacity to operate efficiently and provide quality services to Medi-Cal members.

On January 31, 2023, Nevada County Behavioral Health was awarded \$336,533 in PATH CITED funding from Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to support implementation of its ECM team, which will provide case management and care coordination services to individuals experiencing homelessness with mental illness and/or substance use disorders. This agreement with DHCS for PATH CITED will specifically support startup costs for ECM staff, consulting services for program design, a vehicle to support field-based ECM service delivery and start up facility costs to create office space for serving these clients.

It is recommended that the Board authorize the Nevada County Behavioral Health Department Director to sign this agreement and all related documents as it allows Nevada County Behavioral Health to more effectively provide Enhanced Care Management services to individuals experiencing homelessness with mental illness and/or substance use disorders.

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