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### Department of Public Health

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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

### Board Agenda Memo

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**MEETING DATE:** March 11, 2025

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** **Kathy Cahill, MPH, Director of Public Health**

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving execution of an Agreement with Partnership Health Plan of California for the delivery of Enhanced Care Management services in Nevada County which will automatically renew at 1-year intervals until either party terminates the agreement and directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the Public Health Department's Budget for Fiscal Year 2024/25 (4/5 Affirmative Vote Required).

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** Partnership Health Plan of California (Partnership) is not setting a maximum contract amount. A budget amendment is being included to add \$16,000 of estimated reimbursement from Partnership Health Plan of California for providing ECM services to individuals enrolled in the California Children's Services program. This Agreement has no impact on county general funds.

**BACKGROUND:** California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) is a Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) initiative to transform the Medi-Cal delivery system. Enhanced Care Management (ECM) is a foundational component of CalAIM, and is administered by each county's Medi-Cal Managed Care Plan (Partnership). ECM is a statewide Medi-Cal benefit available to select "Populations of Focus" that will address clinical and non-clinical needs of the highest-need enrollees through intensive coordination of health and health-related services. ECM services will meet beneficiaries wherever they are – on the street, in a shelter, in their doctor's office, or at home. Beneficiaries will have a single Lead Care Manager who will coordinate care and services among the physical, behavioral, dental, developmental, and social services delivery systems, making it easier for them to get the right care at the right time.

Through this agreement, Nevada County Public Health (NCPH) will deliver ECM services to individuals enrolled in the California Children's Services (CCS) program including children with severe, chronic, or life-threatening health conditions requiring specialized care. The NCPH ECM team will be comprised of one Lead Care Manager overseen by the Director of Public Health

Nursing. Staff will conduct outreach and engagement primarily through in-person interaction, and will utilize a whole-person, interdisciplinary approach to care that addresses both clinical and non-clinical needs of clients. Staff will develop individualized and client-driven care plans and will collaborate closely with service and medical providers and natural supports to remove barriers and meet client goals.

It is recommended that the Board approve this agreement as it allows for enhanced whole-person care for high needs and vulnerable Nevada County Medi-Cal families who need extensive coordination across multiple services and experience barriers to accessing consistent care.

**Approved by:** Kathy Cahill, MPH, Director of Public Health