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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**Board Agenda Memo** 

**MEETING DATE:** July 19, 2016

TO: **Board of Supervisors** 

FROM: Rebecca Slade

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving execution of Amendment #1 to the renewal contract

> with BHC Sierra Vista Hospital Inc., d/b/a Sierra Vista Hospital for psychiatric inpatient hospitalization services under Welfare & Institutions Code Section 5150 for referred county clients to increase the maximum contract price from \$20,000 to \$152,000 (an increase of \$132,000) for the

unchanged contract term of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** Services are mandated. Funding is provided by Realignment, Managed Care Allocation dollars and Medi-Cal reimbursement. Both Medi-Cal and Short-Doyle rates are negotiated and set by the hospital's host county. A budget amendment is not necessary and there are no county general fund dollars required in the agreement.

## **BACKGROUND:**

This contract was renewed and approved by the County's Purchasing Agent on September 16, 2015 per Purchase Order No. PESJ2968. The contract provides for 24-hour locked acute inpatient mental health services for residents of Nevada County who meet criteria for 5150 placement and are deemed appropriate by the County. Nevada County contracts with two BHC's (Behavioral Health Care) facilities, BHC Sierra Vista Hospital and BHC Heritage Oaks Hospital.

Under Managed Care, counties are required to contract with hospitals, which have previously provided a significant amount of resident Fee-For-Services Medi-Cal inpatient services and these BHC facilities are designated hospitals for Nevada County Behavioral Health. Due to limited

availability of inpatient psychiatric beds statewide, Nevada County contracts with an array of psychiatric hospital facilities in the surrounding area to ensure adequate bed space for our patients.

This amendment is necessary due to an unanticipated increase in services at this facility for F/Y 2015/16 and in anticipation of continued increased utilization for F/Y 2016/17. It is recommended that the Board approve this Contract Amendment to the contract with Sierra Vista Hospital to enable continued access for psychiatric inpatient care for Nevada County clients.

**Item Initiated and Approved by:** Rebecca Slade, MFT, Director of Behavioral Health