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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: May 13, 2025

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Phebe Bell, Behavioral Health Director

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of Amendment 2 to the contract with Cardenas Consulting Group for the provision of Quality Assurance related to CalAIM, Medi-Cal billing, and other Quality Assurance activities to increase the maximum contract price from \$50,000 to \$125,000 (an increase of \$75,000), extend the termination date from June 30, 2025 to June 30, 2026, revise Exhibit "A" Schedule of Services to incorporate additional project scopes, and revise Exhibit "B" to reflect the increase in the maximum contract price.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: 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 and patient care revenue. A budget amendment is not required. There are no county general funds required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND: On April 26, 2024, per PESR4914 the Nevada County Purchasing Agent approved execution of the Professional Services Contract with Cardena Consulting Group for support and consultation in developing and administering Quality Assurance materials, workflow enhancements, and training related to CalAIM documentation and payment reform, Medi-Cal billing, and other Quality Assurance activities which was amended on November 9, 2024 to increase the contract maximum amount.

This amendment increases the maximum contract amount from \$50,000 to \$100,000, extends the contract termination date to June 30, 2026, and incorporates additional project scopes including Performance Improvement Plan project management, quality improvement consultation, and productivity calculation assistance.

It is recommended the Board of Supervisors approve this Amendment #2 as these services ensure that the Behavioral Health department meets state quality assurance mandates and assists the department in achieving its performance and quality improvement goals.

Approved by: Phebe Bell, Behavioral Health Director