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Nevada County Board of Supervisors  
Eric Rood Administrative Center  
950 Maidu Avenue  
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**DATE OF MEETING:** February 10, 2015

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving execution of Amendment #1 to the renewal contract with FamiliesFirst, Inc., d/b/a EMQ FamiliesFirst which revises Exhibit "A" – Schedule of Services, to include school based individual and collateral services to children and youth referred by Tahoe Truckee Unified School District for fiscal year 2014/15 with no change to maximum contract price of \$1,556,289.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** Services are funded by Medi-Cal reimbursement, Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) monies made available to Nevada County, 2011 Realignment, and State and Local SB 163 Program funding. Senate Bill (SB) 163 or the California Wraparound Program allows the County flexible use of State Foster Care and local Realignment dollars to provide eligible youth with family-based service alternatives to group home care, which is often located out of Nevada County and more costly. State and local funding provides an equivalent amount to pay for Wraparound services to keep the youth at home. The contract maximum remains the same at \$1,556,289 for F/Y 2014/15. Services were budgeted in the department's budget and there are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

**BACKGROUND:** Per Resolution No. 14-356, the Board approved the annual agreement for the continuation of children's Wraparound Program services, consistent with Nevada County's approved MHSA Community Services and Supports (CSS) Plan. This wraparound model delivers services to high risk children/youth with serious emotional disturbances (SED) or severe mental illness (SMI), and their families.

The majority of these children are associated with the foster care system, either in foster care or at risk of out of home placement. An individually designed set of services is provided, including treatment and personal support services as necessary to maintain the child/youth in the family home. Services are delivered through a multi-disciplinary team with an interagency

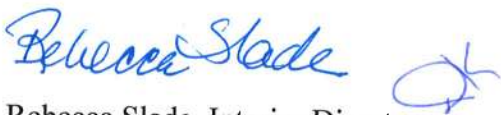
collaborative approach including family participation as equal and active team partners. The integrated coordinated care treatment philosophy eliminates barriers to service delivery, while strengthening and supporting families.

The Amendment before you today revises the Scope of Services to include school based individual and collateral services to children and youth referred by Tahoe Truckee Unified School District. Most of these children and youth have not received previous mental health treatment and the treatment duration will typically be under one year. The Contractor will staff with a .5 FTE who will be out stationed at schools determined by TTUSD. School professionals may refer students for services.

Upon parental consent and authorization from County Behavioral Health Department, the Contractor will assess for medical necessity and treat if appropriate, providing Mental Health and Rehabilitation, Case Management, Brokerage and if necessary Medication Support and Crisis Intervention.

Please contact me if any additional information is required.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rebecca Slade". To the right of the signature is a small, stylized blue mark that resembles a star or a decorative flourish.

Rebecca Slade, Interim Director  
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