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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: June 3, 2025

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Phebe Bell**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of a renewal contract with Thomas Milam MD, Inc., DBA Iris Telehealth Medical Group, services include providing a licensed clinician to provide needed mental health and substance abuse services in the maximum amount of \$210,000 for the contract term of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: Services are funded by Medi-Cal reimbursement, 2011 Realigned EPSDT funds, and 1991 Realignment. These services are included in the Department's budget and there are no county general fund dollars required in the agreement.

BACKGROUND: Children's Behavioral Health regularly sees an increase in demand for services in the fall and spring that often exceeds staff capacity. With current workforce shortages, extended recruitment times have led to extensive vacancies and increased service capacity issues. This contract will allow flexible capacity to meet public service demands above what the current workforce can provide.

This contract with Thomas Milam, MD. Inc DBA Iris Telehealth Medical Group for teletherapy services will allow the Behavioral Health Department to access additional Telehealth Therapists and Psychiatrists to help provide these State mandated services to our clients. This contract allows the Behavioral Health department to access licensed Psychiatrists, Therapists, and other qualified mental health professionals to service our clients' needs.

It is recommended that the Board approve this renewal contract as it allows for the provision of essential, mandated services to eligible children and youth in Nevada County who require Specialty Mental Health Services for moderate to severe mental health disorders.

Approved by: Phebe Bell, Behavioral Health Director