



# **RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_**

## **OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING EXECUTION OF A RENEWAL THE CONTRACT WITH IMAGINE ARTS AND FAMILY THERAPY INC, D/B/A WHAT'S UP WELLNESS (FORMERLY SHELLEE ANN SEPKO, LMFT D/B/A WHAT'S UP WELLNESS CHECKUPS), FOR THE PROVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH SCREENING SERVICES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN NEVADA COUNTY, AS A COMPONENT OF THE COUNTY'S MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT (MHSA) PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION (PEI) PLAN IN THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF \$223,737 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023/24**

WHEREAS, contract services are funded by Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) funding, which is intended to support strategies to help identify and increase prevention efforts and responses to early signs of emotional and behavioral health problems among specific at-risk populations; and

WHEREAS, the Teen Screen protocol was developed by Columbia University's Division of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry in response to research revealing that a high percentage of youth who die by suicide suffer from a diagnosable mental illness and may experience symptoms for at least a year prior to their deaths; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor shall establish a Project Team that will coordinate efforts to offer mental health and suicide risk screening to students in participating Nevada County Schools that can help link students identified as high-risk to needed services; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor has formerly established the corporation "Imagine Arts and Family Therapy Inc, D/B/A What's Up Wellness" as opposed to independent contractor due to increasing scale of the program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Nevada, State of California, that the Professional Services Contract by and between the County and Imagine Arts and Family Therapy Inc, D/B/A What's Up Wellness (formerly Shellee Ann Sepko, LMFT D/B/A What's Up Wellness Checkups) related to the provision of mental health screening services for high school students in Nevada County in the maximum amount of \$223,737 for the term of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 be and hereby is approved in substantially the form attached hereto, and that the Chair of the Board of Supervisors be and is hereby authorized to execute the contract on behalf of the County of Nevada.

Funds to be disbursed from account: 1512-40104-493-1000/521520.