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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: June 21, 2016
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: **Rebecca Slade**
SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of Amendment #1 to the renewal Contract with St. Helena Hospital Center for Behavioral Health for the provision of acute psychiatric inpatient hospitalization services to increase the contract maximum from \$20,000 to \$50,000 (an increase of \$30,000) for the term of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: These services are mandated. Contract funding is from Mental Health Realignment dollars. This is a fee-for-service contract; costs are only incurred when services utilized by authorized Nevada County clients are not covered by Medi-Cal, Medicare, private insurance or the County Medical Services Program (CMSP). A budget amendment is not necessary and there are no county general funds required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND:

The County's Purchasing Agent approved a renewal contract in November of 2014 with St. Helena Hospital Center for Behavioral Health per Purchase Order PESH2793. St. Helena Hospital Center for Behavioral Health provides involuntary psychiatric inpatient hospitalization services to eligible Medi-Cal beneficiaries and/or indigent clients. Behavioral Health contracts with two Adventist Health subsidiary hospitals in Northern California: St. Helena Hospital in Napa County which provides inpatient mental health services to adults, and for this agreement with St. Helena Hospital Center for Behavioral Health in Vallejo, a facility that provides mental health treatment services to children and adolescents as well as adults.

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. St. Helena Hospital Center for Behavioral Health is a designated hospital for Nevada County's Behavioral Health.

Demand for inpatient psychiatric beds statewide continues to rise. Nevada County is no exception to this trend. Nevada County's increase in hospitalization costs is based not only on an increase in number of admissions, but also on the total of inpatient days being utilized to meet County client's needs.

It is recommended that the Board approve the attached amendment as it allows continuation of essential, mandated services for medically necessary inpatient services to eligible residents of Nevada County who have a mental illness and /or emotional disturbances that require acute psychiatric hospitalization services.

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