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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: March 28, 2023
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Rachel Peña

SUBJECT: Resolution approving the Amendment of to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Nevada County Health and Human Services Agency, Nevada County Probation Department ("Probation"), Nevada County Department of Public Health, Nevada County Social Services, Nevada County Behavioral Health, Nevada County Superintendent of Schools, and Alta California Regional Center to include child abuse prevention, name the Interagency Leadership Team (ILT) as the governing body for the Families First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA), and include Special Multi-Agency Resource Team (SMART) as part of the Children's System of Care (CSOC).(RES 21-372)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: N/A

BACKGROUND: On August 24, 2021, per Resolution 21-372 the Nevada County Board of Supervisors approved execution of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Nevada County Health and Human Services Agency, Nevada County Probation Department ("Probation"), Nevada County Department of Public Health, Nevada County Social Services, Nevada County Behavioral Health, Nevada County Superintendent of Schools, and Alta California Regional Center. This amendment does not change the substance or intent of the MOU, but clarifies roles and responsibilities of parties and reflects updated subcommittee processes.

The MOU pursuant to Assembly Bill 2083, addresses systemic barriers to the traditional provision of interagency services and promotes, develops, and implements a Children's System of Care setting forth the roles and responsibilities of agencies and other entities that serve children and youth in foster care who have experienced severe trauma. Agency partners seek to ensure that all public programs for children, youth and families provide services in an integrated, comprehensive, culturally responsive, trauma informed, evidence-based/best practice manner, regardless of the agency by which children and

families enter. The MOU promotes coordinated data collection and exchanges between partners to minimize delays or barriers to excellent service provision.

It is the intent of this MOU to create and maintain an administrative team with collaborative authority over the child welfare, juvenile justice, education, children's health and mental health services to enhance the operations of their activities, decisions, and direction of each of their employees regarding children, youth, and family services.

It is recommended that the Board approve this Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding to ensure an integrated continuum of interagency services for children and families.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Rachel Peña, LCSW Director of Social Services