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**NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**Board Agenda Memo**

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**MEETING DATE:** October 25, 2022

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** **Phebe Bell**

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving execution of Amendment No. 3 to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with California Health and Wellness Plan (CHWP) for the coordination of services in the delivery of specialty mental health services and alcohol and other drug treatment services to CHWP members served by both parties to incorporate the CalAIM Data Sharing Authorization and Behavioral Health Quality Improvement Program (BHQIP) Guidance.

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** There is no exchange of funds between California Health and Wellness Plan and Nevada County Behavioral Health under this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). This Amendment to the MOU has no impact on county general funds.

**BACKGROUND:** Nevada County Behavioral Health is a Mental Health Plan (MHP), as defined in Title 9 California Code of Regulations (CCR), Section 1810.226, and as such is required by the State to enter into an MOU with any Medi-Cal managed care plan providing health care services to County Mental Health Plan Medi-Cal beneficiaries.

On March 10, 2015 the Board of Supervisors approved the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the California Health and Wellness Plan (CHWP) for the coordination of services in the delivery of specialty mental health services to CHWP members served by both parties per Resolution No. 15-094 and subsequently approved Addendum #1 which described additional understandings of the County and CHWP with regard to the coordination of Medi-Cal alcohol and

other drug services for CHWP Members served by both parties in Nevada County under the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Medi-Cal Managed Care Program.

On April 10, 2018 the Board of Supervisors approved Amendment No. 1 (RES 18-126) extending the contract term for an additional three years through June 30, 2021. On June 22, 2021 the Board of Supervisors approved Amendment No. 2 (RES 21-243) extending the contract term for an additional two years, through June 30, 2023.

The purpose of this Amendment is to incorporate references to the CalAIM Data Sharing Authorization and Behavioral Health Quality Improvement Program (BHQIP) Guidance from the Department of Health Care Services to facilitate enhanced data sharing between Nevada County Behavioral Health and California Health and Wellness.

It is recommended that the Board approve the Amendment #3 to the MOU as it allows for the enhanced coordination of care and data sharing between the County and CHWP for mental health services and alcohol and other drug treatment services provided to Nevada County Medi-Cal beneficiaries.

**Item Initiated and Approved by:** Phebe Bell, MSW, Behavioral Health Director