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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**Board Agenda Memo** 

**MEETING DATE:** January 24, 2017

TO: **Board of Supervisors** 

FROM: Jill Blake

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving execution of the renewal Agreement between the

> Behavioral Health Department and Nevada Joint Union High School District (NJUHSD) related to the provision of Mental Health Services at NJUHSD Campuses for students identified as having a mental health need under NJUHSD's STARS (Student Assistance Resources and Services)

Program in the maximum amount of \$10,000 for FY 2016/17.

**RECOMMENDATION**: Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING**: Pursuant to this Agreement, Nevada Joint Union High School District is agreeing to reimburse Behavioral Health for providing a licensed therapist or registered therapist-intern to provide mental health services at various NJUHSD campuses for students identified as having a mental health need by NJUHSD's Student Assistance Resources and Services (STARS) Program Coordinator. The maximum receivable amount under this Agreement is \$10,000 for FY 2016/17. Receipt of funding was anticipated and included in the department's budget. There are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

**BACKGROUND**: Under this renewal Agreement, Behavioral Health is agreeing to continue to provide qualified personnel for the provision of mental health services to high school students who have been identified as having a mental health need by the schools' Student Assistance Resource and Service Program Coordinator. The registered therapist-intern or licensed therapist will be available at NJUHSD Campuses, on a mutually agreed upon schedule, to provide assessments, therapy services individually and in group settings or with the child and family/caregiver present, case management, crisis intervention, providing linkages and referrals to other needed community resources, and for classroom consultation.

The goals of this Agreement are to:

- Make available onsite access to mental health services at NJUHSD campuses and to improve the mental health and well-being of students;
- Provide a coordinated identification and referral process to community agencies for mental health services; and
- Improve school staff's education regarding mental health needs and high-risk behaviors.

This agreement was developed as a cooperative arrangement, and it is recommended that the Board of Supervisors approves the agreement as it will support staff time for services which promote the mental health and well-being of students.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Jill Blake, MPA, Acting Behavioral Health Director