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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 Amendment #1 to the renewal contract with Blair Romer, M.D. for direct clinical psychiatric services for clients of Nevada County Behavioral Health Department to increase the maximum contract price from \$82,000 to \$225,000 (an increase of \$143,000) in order to meet department psychiatric coverage needs for the 2-year contract term of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2018.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: These services are mandated. Funding is available from Medi-Cal Federal Financial Participation (FFP) and Realignment. Services are within the department's budget. There are no county general funds required in the agreement. If a budget amendment is required, it will be addressed in a future county-wide budget amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Nevada County Board of Supervisors approved a renewal contract on June 21, 2016 per resolution #16-251 for Dr. Blair Romer to continue to provide psychiatric services for the County's Behavioral Health Department. Per the attached Amendment, the Contractor will be providing additional days per week of services to meet department psychiatric coverage needs, beginning in February 2017. The need for additional psychiatric coverage is due to a recent resignation of another contracted psychiatrist. The Amendment increases the days from approximately a half day per week to two - three days per week, starting in February.

It is recommended that the attached Amendment be approved as the services provided will help to ensure adequate psychiatric coverage for the department.

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