

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: April 11, 2017

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Rebecca Slade

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of a Contract for Services with the County of Sierra for Nevada County to provide Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) Services to Sierra County referred clients for the term of April 11, 2017 through June 30, 2018 in the maximum contract amount of \$20,000.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: Approve the attached Resolution.

<u>FUNDING</u>: This is a revenue Agreement whereby Sierra County will pay Nevada County Behavioral Health Department an hourly rate for Crisis Stabilization Services. A Department budget amendment will be included in the next county-wide budget amendment. There are no county general funds required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND: Nevada County currently operates a Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, where individuals can receive crisis services through the County's subcontractor, Sierra Mental Wellness Group, including psychotherapy and medication support for up to 23 consecutive hours per crisis event. The 4 bed CSU is located in Grass Valley, California, 70 feet from the entrance of the Emergency Department of Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital. The CSU is part of a crisis continuum of care for residents of Nevada County.

Under this Agreement, Behavioral Health is agreeing to expand eligibility to Sierra County residents, providing crisis stabilization services to Sierra County referred clients. In December the Board approved this same arrangement/agreement between Nevada and Placer Counties. Nevada County benefits by entering into this Agreement with Sierra as the local hospital has purchased three dedicated beds and this agreement will provide revenue to help offset the costs of the fourth

bed and other operational costs. Additionally, this agreement strengthens and promotes the mutual working relationship between Sierra and Nevada Counties.

Item initiated and approved by: Rebecca Slade, MFT – Behavioral Health Director