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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: August 15, 2017

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Rebecca Slade**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of a renewal contract with Turning Point Community Programs, Inc. for the provision of Adult Assertive Community Treatment (AACT) Program Services as a component of the County's Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Community Services and Supports (CSS) Plan; Supported Independent Living Program Services; and Integrated Health Care Services as part of the Integration Services Team (IST) in the maximum amount of $2,345,893 for Fiscal Year 2017/18.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: Services are funded by Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) monies made available to Nevada County from the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), 1991 Realignment, and Medi-Cal Federal Financial Participation (FFP). The Mental Health Services Act imposed a 1% tax on adjusted annual personal income over $1,000,000. MHSA provides an ongoing funding stream dedicated to transforming the public mental health system and to reducing the long-term adverse impact from untreated serious mental illness. The maximum is based on the projected units of services anticipated to be delivered and associated program expenses. Services are in the department's budget for FY 2017/18 and this Agreement requires no county general fund dollars.

BACKGROUND:

Under this Agreement, Turning Point Community Programs, Inc. will continue to provide Adult Assertive Community Treatment (AACT) Program Services as a Full Service Partnership (FSP) and consistent with Nevada County's approved MHSA Community Services and Supports (CSS) Plan. The Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) Team model is a multi-disciplinary approach to providing community-based psychiatric treatment, assertive outreach, rehabilitation, and support services to individuals with serious mental illness who also has co-occurring problems or multiple hospitalizations. Contractor's Adult Assertive Community Treatment Team operates 24-hours, 365 days per year to provide flexible crisis intervention and wraparound services. The wraparound services are tailored to address each eligible participant's unique and changing needs. Services include: assessment, therapy, peer support, rehabilitation, housing assistance, job development skills/assistance, psychiatric services, medication support, outreach, and linkage to other community supports, substance abuse treatment, and assistance in supporting other health and life needs.

Also, the Contractor in conjunction with Nevada County Behavioral Health Staff will continue to implement and monitor a specific treatment program for Medi-Cal beneficiaries living in a home leased by Contractor. The Contractor provides services related to an Independent Living Program, including staffing to support structured day and evening services available seven (7) days a week with rehabilitative mental health services, case management brokerage and night and weekend supervision. By continuing such program services the County serves a critical ongoing need of providing safe, supportive housing in the least restrictive environment for appropriate clients, brings clients back to their own community, and reduces the dependence on higher-cost residential facilities in other counties.

The vision of Nevada County Behavioral Health is to build and support healthy futures in which people with a serious mental illness (SMI) are able to achieve health, wellness, and recovery through the development of integrated health care services and identification of a person-centered health care home. To achieve this vision, health care, mental health, and substance use treatment providers, community partners, consumers, and family members have formed a consortium to develop the Integration Services Team (IST). Contractor will collaborate with County to choose specific, evidence-based trainings for delivery of integrated person-centered health care, to assist in the coordination of health services for clients.

As another continuing component of this Agreement, Contractor will provide project staffing who serve as members of the IST team along with members of other community organizations. Contract services include coordination of clients' services with other IST providers, including the hospitals, to track and oversee the progress of referrals, and oversee the function of the IST team on a daily basis regarding effective service delivery. The Personal Service Coordinators also link clients to the primary care services at Nevada County Behavioral Health Clinic and Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), as well as, assist individuals to access substance use services and other needed resources in the community. The RN and Personal Service Coordinators will continue to assist clients to develop a wellness based treatment plan that

includes both physical and mental health issues to provide a strategy for identifying key health outcomes for each client. Each individual with an SMI who is served by IST will have access to a range of health services, supports, and resources to promote wellness, manage illnesses, and improve overall health outcomes.

It is recommended that the Board approve this renewal Agreement as Turning Point Community Programs, Inc. has proven to be an effective community partner in providing an array of client driven services that increases consumer and family participation, and advances a coordinated care structure helping to reduce the need for hospitalization and out-of-home placements.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Rebecca Slade, MFT, Director of Behavioral Health