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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: July 14, 2020

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Phebe Bell**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of a renewal contract with Blair Romer, M.D. for direct clinical and other psychiatric services for clients of Nevada County Behavioral Health Department for the term of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022 the maximum contract shall not exceed \$200,000 for Fiscal Year 2020/21 and shall not exceed \$200,000 for Fiscal Year 2021/22 for a total 2-year maximum of \$400,000.

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.

BACKGROUND: This is a renewal contract for Dr. Blair Romer to continue to provide psychiatric services for the County's Behavioral Health Department. Under this agreement, the Contractor will provide approximately three days per week of direct clinical psychiatric services including the examination, diagnosis, and treatment of clients receiving County Mental Health, Drug and/or Alcohol services. The Contractor determines therapeutic and medication needs, develops treatment plans, participates in case conferences, consults with clinical staff regarding support services, placement and treatment options, prescribes and administers medications, and provides conservatorship evaluations as needed by the County.

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

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