

STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: March 11, 2025

CATEGORY: Consent Calendar 5

SUBJECT: Approve a retroactive renewal agreement with Shasta County Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council for Targeted Case Management services.

DEPARTMENT: Health and Human Services Agency-Administration

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT #: All

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STAFF REPORT APPROVED BY: Erinn Watts, HHSA Branch Director - Administration

<u>Vote Required?</u>	<u>General Fund Impact?</u>
Simple Majority Vote	No General Fund Impact

RECOMMENDATION

Approve a retroactive renewal agreement with Shasta County Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council (SCCAPCC) in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 of claimable federal financial participation reimbursement, to provide Medi-Cal Targeted Case Management (TCM) services for the period July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025.

DISCUSSION

The Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) acting as the Local Government Agency (LGA) has entered into an agreement with the California Department of Health Care Services (“DHCS”) to claim federal financial participation (“FFP”) reimbursement for the provision of TCM services, to eligible Medi-Cal beneficiaries in Shasta County. HHSA’s role is to oversee and coordinate TCM activities in Shasta County. HHSA is reimbursed for costs associated with these administrative activities.

The goal of TCM is to assist individuals in a defined target population to gain access to needed medical, social, educational, and other services. The basic components of TCM include: a comprehensive assessment, development of an individualized service plan, linkage and consultation information, assistance with accessing services, crisis assistance planning, and periodic reviews.

TCM provided through SCCAPCC serves pregnant women and families with children under the age of three years in their Parent Partner Program. HHSA will provide a TCM Coordinator to support and assist SCCAPCC in completing time studies and cost reports associated with the TCM program. Additionally, HHSA will provide annual time study and cost report training to ensure compliance with TCM rules, minimize audit exceptions, and provide continuous quality improvement.

The County is responsible for providing certain programs that bridge the gap to specific populations the County itself is not serving. For FY 2024-25 the County will be able to offer these populations CMAA (County-based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities) until the new ECM (Enhanced Case Management) program is up and running.

While HHSA does not have direct responsibility for the services delivered, the Parent Partner Program provides valuable, lower-level support to prevent child abuse and neglect, thereby intervening before the family would enter the Child Welfare system.

This agreement is retroactive as previously, it was understood the County will be able to offer these populations CMAA (County-based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities) until the new ECM (Enhanced Case Management) program is up and running and determining if funding for TCM services were continued in the state budget. This agreement will allow SCCAPCC to claim matching TCM funding for qualifying activities. The federal TCM program provides partial reimbursement (currently 50%) of costs.

ALTERNATIVES

The Board could choose not to approve the agreement, which will preclude HHSA from providing SCCAPCC with Federal Financial Participation (FFP) reimbursement for TCM services to sustain valuable programs and services to pregnant women and families in our community. Denial would also cause a Medi-Cal gap for a specific community population that is not currently served by Shasta County, which goes against Federal and State code and is therefore not recommended.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

County Counsel has approved the agreement as to form. Risk Management has approved the agreement. The Chief Information Officer has approved the agreement. The recommendation has been reviewed by the County Administrative Office.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is No General Fund Impact with the approval of this recommendation. HHSA anticipates receiving up to the maximum claimed and allowable FFP reimbursement in federal TCM pass-through funds for SCCAPCC for FY 2024-25. This is a pass-through agreement and additional County General Funds are not requested with approval of the recommendation.

ATTACHMENTS:

1: Agreement