

# Napa County

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## Legislation Text

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jennifer Yasumoto, Director of Health and Human Services Agency

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**SUBJECT:** Agreements with Various Community Based Organizations (Prevention and

Early Intervention)

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Director of Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the following agreements in order to provide Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) services under the County's Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) PEI Plan for the term July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026:

- 1. Agreement No. 230372B with Mentis, Inc., for a maximum of \$97,540, for the provision of outreach and engagement services to BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Color) College Students;
- 2. Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. 210355B with Cope Family Center, Inc., for a maximum of \$90,000, for the continued coordination of multi-agency prevention services, outreach assessment, and brief mental health services for at-risk families throughout Napa County;
- 3. Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. 210357B with Napa County Office of Education, for a maximum of \$80,000, for the continued services of its Student Assistance Program (SAP) in court and community schools to offer mental health screening, assessment, and PEI services to students at-risk of, or involved with, the juvenile justice system;
- 4. Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. 210359B with Napa Valley Education Foundation, for a maximum of \$160,000, for the continued Student Assistance Programs in American Canyon Schools, to provide support groups, immediate support of students' emotional, safety, and physical health needs, and more intensive supports including individualized intervention support plans, individual mental health supports, and individual counseling from school social workers or other staff or referrals to community mental health providers as needed;
- 5. Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. 210360B with On the Move, Inc., for a maximum of \$50,000, for the continued lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer or questioning (LGBTQ+) assessments, cultural competency trainings, advocacy, outreach, and evaluation for Napa County; and
- 6. Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. 210362B with UpValley Family Centers of Napa Valley, Inc., for a

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maximum of \$80,000, for continued culturally-based group mentoring on-site at St. Helena and Calistoga Elementary and Junior/Senior high schools.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Approval of today's actions will amend the current PEI agreements in order to extend the term of the agreements through June 30, 2026, for continued PEI services. These PEI agreements are awarded as the result of a competitive Request for Proposal (RFP) process.

All of the community-based organizations are local vendors.

### FISCAL & STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes Is it currently budgeted? Yes

Where is it budgeted? Health & Human Services Mental Health Services Act

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?

Discretionary

Discretionary Justification: There is no mandate to enter into these specific agreements,

however, the County receives funding subject to its contract with

the State to fulfill the requirements of MHSA PEI.

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: Appropriations have been included in the requested Fiscal Years

2023-2024 budget and future fiscal years will be budgeted

accordingly.

Consequences if not approved: If these agreements are not approved, the County would not be

able to use MHSA PEI funds to provide these needed services.

County Strategic Plan pillar addressed: Healthy, Safe, and Welcoming Place to Live, Work, and Visit

## **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT**

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

## **BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

MHSA, which became law on January 1, 2005, is designed to expand mental health services in California with funding provided for PEI, to provide services to children, adults. and older adults; workforce education and training, and innovative programs. Napa County's plan for implementation of the PEI component of MHSA was developed with extensive local stakeholder input and community review. As required by law, the goal of the PEI Plan is to promote timely access to services for underserved demographic categories of Napa County residents. This is consistent with the larger diversity strategy of HHSA, as a whole, and HHSA's Mental Health division. The goal of the diversity strategy is to identify and reduce barriers that prevent county residents from accessing necessary and appropriate services, and to ensure that, once accessed, the services are as effective and

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efficient as possible.

HHSA's Mental Health division recently issued two separate rounds of RFP for PEI projects and programs, in accordance with the community planning process and reviewed by the MHSA Stakeholder Advisory Committee. As a result of these RFPs, the following agreements are before the Board today:

## 1. Mentis, Inc. Agreement

The Students Connect Program focuses on reducing isolation in the BIPOC student population and increasing the knowledge of mental health issues, coping skills, and resources for assistance. The program promotes and encourages access to early intervention mental health services and increases connections between students and adults building college staff and faculty's capacity to support young people's wellness and healing from trauma.

## 2. Cope Family Center, Inc. Amendment

The Strengthening Families At-Risk Program provides screening, support groups, brief therapy, and referral to additional mental health services as needed for parents and caregivers.

## 3. Napa County Office of Education Amendment

The Student Assistance Program (SAP) provides screening, support and referrals to additional mental health services as needed for youth who are at-risk of developing more serious mental health issues.

## 4. Napa Valley Education Foundation Amendment

Formerly known as the American Canyon Student Assistance Program, the new American Canyon Mental Health Access Program will provide expanded screening, assessments, and referrals for students in American Canyon schools who are at-risk of developing mental health issues and in need of mental health support and services.

#### 5. On the Move, Inc. Amendment

The LQBTQ Stigma and Discrimination Reduction program allows LGBTQ Connection to offer stigma and discrimination reduction programming, and mental health screening for the LGBTQ population as well as training for community providers on how to best serve the LGBTQ community.

#### 6. UpValley Family Centers of Napa Valley, Inc. Amendment

UpValley Family Centers of Napa Valley's CLARO (Challenging Latinos to Access Resources and Opportunities) and CLARA (Challenging Latinas through Awareness, Resources, Action) Youth Mentoring Programs offer mental health screening, group and individual mentoring support, and referrals to additional mental health services as needed.