

# SAN BENITO COUNTY AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL FORM

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Item Number: 1.10

MEETING DATE: 11/26/2024

**DEPARTMENT:** HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

**AGENDA ITEM PREPARER:** Yolanda Beltran

**DEPT HEAD/DIRECTOR:** Tracey Belton

SUBJECT:

### **HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY-T. BELTON**

Approve and Authorize HHSA Public Heath Services Director, Tracey Belton to sign the non-monetary Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Central California Alliance for Health (CCAH), Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans (MCP) and San Benito County California Children's Services (CCS) Whole Child Model Program which provides diagnostic and treatment services, medical case management, and physical and occupational therapy services to children under age 21 with CCS eligible medical conditions. for a term commencing with the date of MCP's authorized signature and ending 36 months thereafter. This is MOU was received from CCAH in October 2024.

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## **AGENDA SECTION:**

CONSENT AGENDA

## **BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:**

The California Children's Services (CCS) Program provides diagnostic and treatment services, medical case management, and physical and occupational therapy services to children under age 21 with CCS eligible medical conditions. The CCS Program is administered as a partnership between the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), County health departments, Regional Health Authority (RHA), alternate health care service plan (AHCSP), and some County Organized Health Systems (COHS) plans. Health and Safety Code (H&S Code), Section 123800 et seq. is the enabling statute for the CCS Program. The explicit legislative intent of the CCS Program is to provide Medically Necessary services for CCS-eligible children. The statute also requires that DHCS and the County cooperate with local public or private agencies and providers of medical care to proactively identify and enroll CCS eligible children.

Senate Bill (SB) 586 (Chapter 625, Statutes of 2016) authorized DHCS to establish the Whole Child Model (WCM) for Medi-Cal eligible CCS children enrolled in a MCP that is a COHS or Regional Health Authority, within designated counties. WCM incorporates CCS covered services for certain Medi-Cal eligible CCS children into the applicable MCP Contract Additionally, under the WCM, responsibility for the CCS case management, care coordination, provider referral, and service authorization functions move from the County to the WCM MCP. Assembly Bill (AB) 2724 (Chapter 73, Statutes of 2022) added a new section to define an AHCSP and to authorize DHCS to enter into one or more comprehensive risk contracts with an AHCSP as a primary MCP in specified geographic areas effective January 1, 2024. AB 118 (Chapter 42, Statutes of 2023) authorizes the expansion of the WCM program for Medi-Cal eligible CCS children and youth enrolled in a MCP served by a COHS, AHCSP, or RHA, into 12 additional counties no sooner than January 1, 2025.

The medical conditions covered by the CCS Program are outlined and authorized in California Code of Regulations (CCR), title 22, sections 41401 - 41518.9. These regulations are further clarified by CCS Numbered Letters (NLs).

This MOU outlines the respective roles of the County and the MCP to coordinate care, conduct administrative activities, and engage in information exchange activities required for the effective and seamless delivery of CCS services to CCS eligible Members. This MOU is a binding contractual agreement.

The County and/or DHCS will retain all administrative responsibilities of case management, care coordination, provider referral, and service authorization functions of the CCS Program as it pertains to CCS State-only Members or Members that are currently in Fee for Service Medi-Cal.

This MOU is in effect as of the Effective Date and continues for a term of three years.

# RESOLUTION OR ORDINANCE NEEDED FOR THIS ITEM:

No

CONTRACT NEEDED FOR THIS ITEM:

Yes

RFP AND BID HISTORY:

N/A

LAST CONTRACT AMOUNT OR N/A:

N/A

**CONTRACT HISTORY (Describe all amendments and previous contracts):** 

New MOU.

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 1. Operational Development & Excellence

No

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 2. Planning And Sustainable Growth

No
STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 3. Technology
No
STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 4. Community Engagement
No
STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: 5. Health & Safe Community
Yes
BUDGETED:
N/A
BUDGET ADJUSTMENT NEEDED:
N/A
SOURCE OF FUNDING:
N/A
UNFUNDED MANDATE:
N/A
SBC BUDGET LINE ITEM NUMBER:

**CURRENT FY COST:** 

Non-monetary

N/A

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

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#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

CCAH MCP WCM MOU coco signed