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Agenda Item
Regular Meeting of the
Board of Supervisors
Tuesday, January 27, 2026

Item Number: 1.3

MEETING DATE: 01/27/2026

DEPARTMENT: BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

AGENDA ITEM PREPARER: Geraldine Arce

DEPT HEAD/DIRECTOR: Rachel White

SUBJECT:

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT - R. WHITE

1. Approve Amendment #1 with Traditions Psychiatry Group, P.C. dba Traditions Behavioral Health to increase the contract amount by \$380,815.00 for a new total not to exceed \$1,060,815.00 for psychiatry services; and
2. Adopt Budget Amendment Resolution in the amount of \$380,815.00 to increase appropriations under the Federal Medi-Cal funds and the Services and Supplies Physicians for the Traditions Psychiatry Group contract to pay overdue invoices since November 2025 and to cover anticipated invoices through June 30, 2026; and
3. Authorize the Chair, County Executive Officer, or designee to sign. (4/5 vote required)

SBC FILE NUMBER: 810

RESOLUTION No.: 2026-8

AGENDA SECTION:

CONSENT AGENDA

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

San Benito County's Behavioral Health (SBCBH) is unable to pay Traditions Psychiatry Group's November 2025 invoice of \$35,168.00 because it is \$815.45 over the \$680,000.00 contract budget. The cost for the first fiscal year (FY 24-25) of the 2-year contract was \$472,507.00. SBCBH has determined that \$380,815.00 is needed in order to have sufficient funds to cover the November 2025 invoice as well as have additional funds last through the end of the contract term of June 30, 2026. SBCBH has funds available under Federal Medi-Cal funds and the Services and Supplies Physicians funds to cover the additional costs for Traditions Psychiatry Group.

Traditions Behavioral Health is the largest provider of psychiatry services to institutional and community-based mental health programs throughout California. Traditions has been the primary long-term contract provider for psychiatry, MD services for the San Benito County Behavioral Health. Traditions has earned a great reputation for its recruitment and long-term placement of high-quality psychiatrists. They have been able to successfully place psychiatrists on a long-term basis, providing continuity of care for the served community members. Traditions has provided SBCBH's only onsite psychiatrist consistently for over five years.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This is San Benito County Behavioral Health's first amendment with Traditions Psychiatry Group. SBCBH needs to increase appropriations in the amount of \$318,815 for the Traditions Psychiatry Group contract to meet current and future obligations. The original not to exceed amount was underestimated by \$380,815 and this adjustment will bring the not to exceed amount to \$1,060,815 which SBCBH believes will allow the department pay overdue invoices since November 2025 and to cover anticipated invoices through June 30, 2026. SBCBH has available funds to cover the increase of appropriations from the Federal Medi-Cal funds and the Services and Supplies Physicians.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

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ATTACHMENTS:

[Agenda Fact Sheet - Traditions Psychiatry Group P.C.](#)

[Amendment #1 - Traditions Psychiatry Group, P.C. dba Traditions Behavioral Health](#)

[Budget Adjustment Resolution - Traditions](#)