

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD
Youth & Family Services Committee Meeting
Wednesday, August 14, 2024, 10:00 – 11:30 AM
Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH)
1911 Williams Drive, Training Room (first floor) • Oxnard, CA 93036

IN-PERSON & VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

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The Ventura County Behavioral Health Advisory Board Youth & Family subcommittee may take action at the beginning of the meeting regarding requests for “Just Cause” or “Emergency” allowances provided that related Brown Act guidelines are met. (Guidelines are listed on the last page of this agenda.)

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call to Determine Physical Quorum
- III. Roll Call of Members with Just Cause
 - a. State others present in the room over the age of 18
- IV. Approval of the Agenda – **ACTION** (Roll Call)
- V. Approval of the June 12, 2024, Minutes – **ACTION** (Roll Call)
- VI. Welcome and Introductions
- VII. Chair Announcements
- VIII. Public Comments (3 min. per speaker)
- IX. Contracts Review – (May & June 2024)
- X. Presentation: Nonspecialty Mental Health Services (Mild to Moderate) through Gold Coast Health Plan in Partnership with Carelon Behavioral Health – Chantel Martinez, LMFT, Gold Coast Health Plan
- XI. BHAB Committee Integration Update
- XII. New Date & Time Discussion
- XIII. Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH) Youth & Family Division Updates
 - A. Youth & Family Division – Cheryl Fox, Youth & Family Services Division Chief
 - B. Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) – Hilary Carson, MHSA Sr. Program Administrator
- XIV. Future Presentation & Priorities
- XV. Committee Members’ Comments, Activities, Updates
- XVI. Items for the Next Meeting Agenda
- XVII. Adjourn

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 9, 2024, 10:00 – 11:30 AM

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Brown Act “Just Cause” or “Member Emergency” Allowance Guidelines for Board Members:

Requirements: A local board/commission member may participate remotely without posting their physical location on the agenda if all the following requirements are met:

1. Quorum at Physical Location - At least a quorum of the members of the board/commission participates in person from a singular physical location clearly identified in the agenda.
2. Public Access - (Both Remote and In-Person) The public may access the meeting through:
 - A two-way audiovisual platform or
 - A two-way telephonic service and a live webcasting of the meeting
 - In-Person Public Access to the physical location.

Circumstances: One of the following circumstances applies:

1. “**Just Cause**” - The member notifies the legislative body at the earliest opportunity possible, including at the start of a regular meeting, of their need to participate remotely for just cause, including a general description of the circumstances relating to their need to appear remotely at the given meeting. The

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provisions of this clause shall not be used by any member of the legislative body for more than two meetings per calendar year. **Or**

2. **“Emergency Circumstances”** - The member requests to participate in the meeting remotely due to emergency circumstances and the board/commission takes action to approve the request. The board/commission shall request a general description of the circumstances relating to the member’s need to appear remotely at the given meeting. A general description of an item generally need not exceed 20 words and shall not require the member to disclose any medical diagnosis or disability, or any personal medical information.

Procedures:

1. Member Request - A member shall make a request to participate remotely at a meeting pursuant to this clause as soon as possible. The members shall make a separate request for each meeting in which they seek to participate remotely.
2. Board/Commission Response - The board/commission may act on a request to participate remotely at the earliest opportunity. If the request does not allow sufficient time to place proposed action on such a request on the posted agenda for the meeting for which the request is made, the legislative body may take action at the beginning of the meeting.
3. Disclosure - The member shall publicly disclose at the meeting before any action is taken, whether any other individuals 18 years of age or older are present in the room at the remote location with the member, and the general nature of the member’s relationship with any such individuals.
4. BOTH Audio & Visual Participation - The members shall participate through both audio and visual technology.
5. Limits to Remote Participation - The provisions of this subdivision [of the Brown Act] shall not serve as a means for any member of a legislative body to participate in meetings of the legislative body solely by teleconference from a remote location for a period of more than three consecutive months or 20 percent of the regular meetings for the local agency within a calendar year, or more than two meetings if the legislative body regularly meets fewer than 10 times per calendar year.

DEFINITIONS:

“Emergency circumstances”: A physical or family medical emergency that prevents a member from attending in person.

“Just cause” means any of the following:

1. A childcare or caregiving need (for a child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, sibling, spouse, or domestic partner) that requires the member to participate remotely.
2. A contagious illness prevents the member from attending the meeting in person.
3. A need related to defined physical or mental disability that is not otherwise accommodated for.
4. Traveling while on official business of the Brown Act Bode or another state or local agency.
5. Just Cause is limited to two instances per calendar year.

For additional information, see pages 4+ of the Brown Act Guide: calbhbc.org/brown-act

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Board Letter Summary of Contracts for May 2024

Board Date	Contract	Amount	Term	Description
5/14/2024	Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System Standard Agreement for Substance Use Disorder Services	\$218,124,000	June 30, 2024 Through June 30, 2027	<p>FY 2024-27 Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Standard Agreement (#21-100037) (Standard Agreement) Amendment No. A03 for substance use disorder (SUD) services with the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). In December 2018, Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH) began DMC-ODS, a new system of health care service delivery for Medi-Cal beneficiaries that includes the provision of SUD services, modeled after the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) criteria for SUD treatment services. The DMC-ODS services that VCBH provides include adult/adolescent outpatient, intensive outpatient, and narcotic/opioid treatment services, as well as Drug Medi-Cal adult/adolescent residential treatment, withdrawal management, recovery support services, care coordination and case management, physician consultation programs, medication assisted treatment and a 24/7 beneficiary access line.</p> <p>The DHCS DMC-ODS Standard Agreement Amendment A03 will add in three additional budget years extending the agreement term from June 30, 2024 to June 30, 2027, and an increase to the total amount of the agreement from \$109,062,000 to \$218,124,000, equating to \$36,354,000 per fiscal year. This agreement is funded by Drug Medi-Cal Federal Financial Participation Funds-93.778 and State General Fund.</p>
5/14/2024	Discovery Practice Management, Inc.	\$178,921	April 13, 2024 Through August 31, 2024	<p>Discovery Practice Management, Inc. operates residential treatment centers, which provide 24-hour per day care for individuals experiencing eating disorders. Supports include psychotherapy (individual and group), nutrition education, development of positive coping mechanisms, and relapse prevention skills, and the treatment is customized based on the unique needs of each individual. Discovery Practice Management, Inc. also offers step-down services (e.g., Intensive Outpatient Program and Partial Hospitalization Program), which support an individual exiting residential treatment and re-entering the community. Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH) selected Discovery Practice Management, Inc. based on its history and positive reputation in the eating disorder treatment community, competitive pricing, willingness to contract, proximity to Ventura County, and client level of care needs.</p> <p>The agreement with Discovery Practice Management, Inc. will increase the maximum contract amount from \$25,845 to \$178,921 (an increase of \$153,076). This agreement is funded by 2011 Realignment.</p>
5/14/2024	United Parents	\$233,653	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 2023-24 First Amendment with United Parents for respite services. United Parents provides respite services (short-term, temporary relief/care) for parents and caregivers of children with serious emotional, behavioral, and mental health issues. Trained respite providers care for the children in or out of the home. Program services are designed to minimize stressors on caregivers and families which could lead to destabilization, crisis, and the potential for children to be placed out of the home. In FY 2023-24 (July through February), there were 82 families enrolled while 177 unduplicated families have been served.</p> <p>The First Amendment to the Agreement with United Parents will increase the maximum amount of the agreement from \$229,553 to \$233,653 (an increase of \$4,100). This agreement is funded by Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Mental Health Block Grant (MHBG) Funding.</p>
5/14/2024	United Parents	\$233,653	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Agreement with United Parents for respite services. United Parents provides respite services (short-term, temporary relief/care) for parents and caregivers of children with serious emotional, behavioral, and mental health issues. Trained respite providers care for the children in or out of the home. This agreement includes substantial contract boilerplate language revisions to align with VCBH's boilerplate non-Medi-Cal Mental Health services agreements template.</p> <p>The Agreement with United Parents is in the amount of \$233,653. This agreement is funded by Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Mental Health Block Grant (MHBG) Funding.</p>

5/14/2024	Health Care Foundation for Ventura County	\$348,738	July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Agreement with Health Care Foundation for Ventura County, Inc (HCFVC) for Mental Health Services Act(MHSA) Mentored Internship Program (MIP) and Southern County Regional Partnership (SCR) Pipeline Funded Educational Stipend and Basic Needs Program Funding Supports and Administration Services. HCFVC provides administration and disbursement services for the following VCBH activities: 1) MHSA funded Full-Service Partnership (FSP) and Rapid Integration Support and Engagement (RISE) program basic needs payment services for clients, in immediate crisis, such as clothes, food, and housing, and for FSP "Whatever It Takes" purposes, 2) Mentored Internship Program (MIP) Grant funded internship stipends for undergraduate and graduate students pursuing a degree in clinical behavioral health fields at an educational institution with which VCBH has a Memorandum of Understanding, and who are receiving their practicum experience at VCBH, and 3) MHSA funded Housing fund services for clients in immediate need of financial assistance to access supplemental housing resources, such as application fees, moving expenses and utilities. HCFVC serves as the fiscal agent for these funds and makes payments to VCBH selected service providers, on behalf of clients, and directly to MIP interns, in line with established policies and timeframes.</p> <p>The Agreement with HCFVC is in the amount of \$348,738. This Agreement is funded by Proposition 63 (Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), Mentored Internship Program (MIP) Grant and Southern County Regional Partnership (SCR) Pipeline.</p>
5/14/2024	New Way Group Home	\$625,000	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 2023-24 First Amendment with New Way Group Home. New Way Group Home provides Short Term Residential Treatment Program (STRTP) Services for youth in two (2) six (6) bed facilities for a total of twelve (12) beds. Youth receive structured group activities focused on supporting and improving behavior management skills, impulse control, feelings identification and regulation, interpersonal and relationship skills, and help in developing an internal locus of control. The structured therapeutic program includes mental health services, case management, medication support, and crisis intervention services. Providers have successfully transitioned from group home to Short Term Residential Therapeutic Programs. They work arduously to adhere to all State regulatory requirements and collaborate closely with partnering agencies.</p> <p>The First Amendment with New Way Group Home represents an increase of \$103,000 due to an increase in the services being provided and an adjustment to the provider service rates. The new contract maximum is \$625,000. This agreement is funded with Short Doyle Medi-Cal (SD/MC) Federal Financial Participation (FFP) and Realignment.</p>
5/14/2024	Seneca Family of Agencies (Seneca)	\$4,377,007	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 2023-24 First Amendment with Seneca Family of Agencies (Seneca) – Crisis Stabilization Unit Program (CSU). Seneca provides CSU program services for VCBH. The Seneca CSU is the front-end of the continuum of care for children’s mental health crisis services in Ventura County, providing a multi-disciplinary risk assessment to youth experiencing a mental health crisis and interventions to promote stabilization, family involvement, and safety planning to access the least restrictive, most appropriate level of care. The Seneca CSU provides mental health interventions that are necessary to divert minors from hospitalization and safely discharge the minors to community services. The Seneca CSU is certified by the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). Crisis stabilization means a service lasting less than 24 hours. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 9, § 1810.210.) The primary objective of any CSU is to promptly evaluate and/or stabilize minors presenting with acute symptoms or distress without hospital admission.</p> <p>The First Amendment with Seneca CSU represents an increase of \$293,705 due to inflationary pressures on staff wages and other services and supplies. The new contract maximum is \$4,377,007. This Agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP and Proposition 63 MHSA.</p>
5/14/2024	ASC Treatment Group (Bakersfield)	\$1,369,399	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 2023-24 Third Amendment with ASC Treatment Group (Bakersfield). ASC Treatment Group (Bakersfield) provides adult residential treatment services and offers 24-hour staffing and a full range of clinical and rehabilitation services that are designed to assist clients in their mental health recovery. Specifically, the following clinical and rehabilitation services are provided: psychiatry and medication support, individual and group therapy, therapeutic recreation/community activities, and case management. The goal of this program is to assist clients in being able to live in a less restrictive environment upon discharge.</p> <p>The Third Amendment with ASC Treatment Group (Bakersfield) represents an increase of \$42,795 due to an increase in the services being provided. The new contract maximum is \$1,369,399. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP, Realignment and Tobacco Settlement.</p>

5/14/2024	ASC Treatment Group (Los Angeles)	\$1,040,602	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 2023-24 Third Amendment with ASC Treatment Group (Los Angeles). ASC Treatment Group Los Angeles provides adult residential treatment services and offers 24-hour staffing and a full range of clinical and rehabilitation services that are designed to assist clients in their mental health recovery. Specifically, the following clinical and rehabilitation services are provided: psychiatry and medication support, individual and group therapy, therapeutic recreation/community activities, and case management. The goal of this program is to assist clients in being able to live in a less restrictive environment upon discharge.</p> <p>The Third Amendment with ASC Treatment Group Los Angeles represents an increase of \$111,976 due to an increase in the bed count from ten (10) to twelve (12) an increase in the services being provided.. The new contract maximum is \$1,040,602. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP, Realignment and Tobacco Settlement.</p>
5/14/2024	Turning Point Foundation	\$512,994	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 2023-24 First Amendment with Turning Point Foundation (Growing Works). Turning Point Foundation Growing Works is a nursery/horticultural peer job readiness program using established recovery principles to provide job readiness training to VCBH clients. Turning Point Foundation operates the Growing Works program based on a logic model built into the scope of work, delineating specific activities, outputs, and outcomes.</p> <p>The First Amendment with Turning Point Foundation Growing Works represents an increase of \$54,994 due to the purchase of needed equipment. The new contract maximum is \$512,994. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP, Realignment and Tobacco Settlement.</p>
5/14/2024	Golden Hillmont House MHRC LLC	\$2,326,764	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 2023-24 Second Amendment with Golden Hillmont House MHRC LLC. Golden Hillmont House MHRC LLC operates the Mental Health Rehabilitation Center "Hillmont House," located in Camarillo, a 15-bed facility that provides housing and support for up to eighteen (18) months for individuals with severe and persistent mental illness to enable them to transition to independent or supported living arrangements. The program uses a psychosocial rehabilitation model that provides a balance of activities, education, vocational services, therapy, health, and socialization to support physical, psychological, and spiritual health.</p> <p>The Second Amendment with Golden Hillmont House MHRC LLC represents an increase of \$220,331 due to increases in the Transition Age Youth (TAY) population resulting in less Social Security Insurance (SSI) collection, meal-break penalties, and DOT increases. The contract maximum is \$2,326,764 This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP and Realignment.</p>
5/14/2024	Telecare Corporation (Casa B)	\$1,193,831	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 2023-24 First Amendment with Telecare Corporation Casa B (Brighter Tomorrow). Telecare Corporation Casa B Brighter Tomorrow provides social rehabilitation-oriented services including twenty-four (24) hour care and supervision of up to a maximum of fifteen (15) adult residents, ages 18 to 59 years of age in a non-institutional community setting. Clients receive services in a supervised, supportive, community-based living environment where they can learn the skills necessary to develop more independence and function in the community.</p> <p>The First Amendment with Telecare Corporation Casa B Brighter Tomorrow represents an increase of \$175,830 due to the lower SSI collection and increased staffing costs due to vacancies and use of a registry. The new contract maximum is \$1,193,831. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP, Realignment and MHSA.</p>
5/14/2024	Telecare Corporation (Casa C)	\$1,075,654	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 2023-24 First Amendment with Telecare Corporation Casa C (House of Transitions). Telecare Corporation Casa C House of Transitions provides social rehabilitation-oriented services including twenty-four (24) hour care and supervision of up to a maximum of fifteen (15) adult residents, ages 18 to 59 years of age in a non-institutional community setting. Clients receive services in a supervised, supportive, community-based living environment where they can learn the skills necessary to develop more independence and function in the community.</p> <p>The First Amendment with Telecare Corporation Casa C House of Transitions represents an increase of \$24,000 due to a lower-than-expected collection of SSI. The new contract maximum is \$1,075,654. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP, Realignment and MHSA.</p>

5/14/2024	Telecare Corporation (Casa D)	\$1,114,281	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 2023-24 First Amendment with Telecare Corporation Casa D (Starship). Telecare Corporation Casa D Starship provides social rehabilitation-oriented services including twenty-four (24) hour care and supervision of up to a maximum of fifteen (15) adult residents, ages 18 to 59 years of age in a non-institutional community setting. Clients receive services in a supervised, supportive, community-based living environment where they can learn the skills necessary to develop more independence and function in the community.</p> <p>The First Amendment with Telecare Corporation Casa D Starship represents an increase of \$46,185 due to the lower SSI collection and increased staffing costs due to vacancies and use of a registry. The new contract maximum is \$1,114,281. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP, Realignment and MHSA.</p>
5/14/2024	Telecare Corporation (Horizon View)	\$3,471,972	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 2023-24 First Amendment with Telecare Corporation (Horizon View). Telecare Corporation Horizon View provides locked mental health rehabilitation center (MHRC) services for individuals who have a history of severe mental illness who cannot be properly treated at lower levels of care. These consumers are: (1) Medi-Cal eligible, (2) 18 years or older, and (3) on conservatorship pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code section 5350, et seq. (the "Lanterman-Petris-Short Act") and are transferring from an acute psychiatric hospital, a state hospital, or another locked MHRC. Consumers receive supervision, guidance, and personal assistance in performing their daily living activities. In addition, structured day and evening services are also provided to assist consumers in acquiring living skills, accessing community resources, and accessing educational/vocational resources.</p> <p>The First Amendment with Telecare Corporation Horizon View represents an increase of \$128,594 due to higher staffing costs as a result of increased nursing salaries and recruitment as well as increased costs for prescribers. The new contract maximum is \$3,471,972. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP, Realignment and MHSA.</p>
5/14/2024	Telecare Corporation (Vista) XP2/XP3	\$1,500,898	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 2023-24 Second Amendment with Telecare Corporation (Vista) XP2/XP3. Telecare Corporation Vista provides Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) program services to Ventura Innovative Services Telecare ACT Vista (XP2/XP3) adult consumers who have been released from local jails. These individuals receive community-based support to ensure independent living and wellness. ACT services include mental health treatment, psychiatric care and management, medication education, alcohol and other substance abuse treatment, life skills training, vocational training and counseling, advocacy regarding criminal justice, social services, social security issues, and linkage with peer support programs, wellness and recovery centers, and housing supports.</p> <p>The Second Amendment with Telecare Corporation Vista represents an increase of \$453,194 due to increased stability across client living arrangements resulting in a higher turnout for the program. The new contract maximum is \$1,500,898. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP, Realignment and MHSA.</p>
5/21/2024	Una Vida Esta Vida MOA	\$1,450,490	May 21, 2024 Through June 30, 2027	<p>FY 2023-24 through FY 2026-27 Memoranda of Agreement (MOA) with Una Vida Esta Vida for Behavioral Health Bridge Housing (BHBH) Short-term Housing Program Services. In April 2023, VCBH submitted a proposal for a BHBH non-competitive funding allocation from the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) in the amount of \$13,325,088 to provide a variety of housing solutions for people experiencing homelessness who have serious behavioral health conditions that prevent them from accessing help and moving out of homelessness. In June 2023, VCBH was awarded conditional approval of the BHBH Short-term Housing Program funds by DHCS. As some of those projects are no longer being developed and/or are unexpectedly delayed, DHCS has informed VCBH that BHBH funding must be reallocated to other allowable expenses, or it will revert to the State. As a result, VCBH is pivoting BHBH resources to provide other bridge housing to timely reallocate resources per DHCS guidance. Specifically, VCBH will be adding an additional sixteen (16) new short-term beds at recovery residences.</p> <p>The MOA with Una Vida Esta BHBH Short-Term Housing Program will have a contract maximum of \$1,450,490. This agreement is funded with Behavioral Health Bridge Housing (BHBH) Program grant funding.</p>
5/21/2024	Una Vida Esta Vida MOA	\$363,969	May 21, 2024 Through June 30, 2027	<p>FY 2023-24 through FY 2026-27 Memoranda of Agreement (MOA) with Una Vida Esta Vida for Interim Supportive Housing Rental Assistance Program Services. VCBH is pivoting BHBH resources to provide other bridge housing to timely reallocate resources per DHCS guidance. Specifically, VCBH will increase the number of scattered site bridge housing rental assistance options.</p> <p>The MOA with Una Vida Esta Vida for BHBH Interim Supportive Housing Rental Assistance Program will have a contract maximum of \$363,969. This agreement is funded with BHBH Program grant funding.</p>

5/21/2024	Spirit of Santa Paula MOA	\$352,997	January 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2027	<p>FY 2023-24 through FY 2026-27 First Amendment to Memoranda of Agreement (MOA) with Spirit of Santa Paula. Spirit of Santa Paula will be building and operating six (6) new shelter beds at the Merewether Project restricted for VCBH client-tenants who qualify as members of the BHBH target population.</p> <p>The First Amendment to the MOA with Spirit of Santa Paula will have a contract maximum of \$352,997. This agreement is funded with Behavioral Health Bridge Housing (BHBH) Program grant funding.</p>
5/21/2024	Sunrise Manor LLC	\$387,464	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Agreement with Sunrise Manor LLC. Sunrise Manor, LLC provides augmented board and care services for adults with serious and persistent mental illness that has resulted in significant functional impairments requiring twenty-four (24) hour care and supervision to promote safety and recovery. The acuity level of these individuals is high in that they require daily assistance in one or more areas of life functioning, including: attending to self-care and basic needs, attending to medical and medication needs, maintaining participation in supportive mental health/substance abuse and other recovery-based support programs, and socializing and re-integrating into the community. Currently, forty-seven (47) clients are residing at Sunrise Manor.</p> <p>The Agreement with Sunrise Manor LLC is in the amount of \$387,464. This agreement is funded by Tobacco Settlement; 1991 Realignment; 2011 Realignment; and Community Care Expansion (CCE).</p>
5/21/2024	Turning Point Foundation – Oak Place	\$685,440	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Agreement with Turning Point Foundation (TPF) – Oak Place. TPF Oak Place facility provides augmented board and care services for adults ages 18 to 59 years with serious and persistent mental illness that has resulted in significant functional impairments requiring twenty-four (24) hour care and supervision to promote safety and recovery. The acuity level of these individuals is high in that they require daily assistance in one or more areas of life functioning, including: attending to self-care and basic needs, attending to medical and medication needs, maintaining participation in supportive mental health/substance abuse and other recovery-based support programs, and socializing and re-integrating into the community. Currently, thirty-six (36) clients are residing at TPF Oak Place.</p> <p>The Agreement with TPF Oak Place is in the amount of \$685,440. This agreement is funded by MHSA and CCE.</p>
5/21/2024	TPF – Thompson Place	\$582,936	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Agreement with TPF – Thompson Place. TPF Thompson Place facility provides augmented board and care services for adults ages 18 to 59 years with serious and persistent mental illness that has resulted in significant functional impairments requiring twenty-four (24) hour care and supervision to promote safety and recovery. The acuity level of these individuals is high in that they require daily assistance in one or more areas of life functioning, including: attending to self-care and basic needs, attending to medical and medication needs, maintaining participation in supportive mental health/substance abuse and other recovery-based support programs, and socializing and re-integrating into the community. Currently, twenty-six (26) clients are residing at TPF Thompson Place.</p> <p>The Agreement with TPF Thompson Place is in the amount of \$582,936. This agreement is funded by MHSA and CCE.</p>

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Board Letter Summary of Contracts for June 2024

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6/4/2024	Amada Enterprises, Inc. DBA View Heights Convalescent Hospital	\$1,208,679	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 23-24 Amada Enterprises, Inc. First Amendment for Skilled Nursing Facility Mental Health Services. Amada Enterprises, Inc., which operates under the name of View Heights Convalescent Hospital, is designated as an Institution for Mental Disease (IMD) and provides Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) services for seriously mentally ill clients who require a high level of care due to the severity of their illnesses. Clients receive the following services at View Heights Convalescent Hospital: (1) medication management (2) care and supervision (3) daily activities, and (4) food services.</p> <p>The Second Amendment to the agreement with Amada Enterprises, Inc. increases the maximum contract amount to \$4,475,000 to ensure adequate funding is available to meet services needs through fiscal year end. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment; 1991 Realignment.</p>
6/4/2024	Parkside Healthcare, Inc. DBA Parkside Health and Wellness Center	\$15,000	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 23-24 Parkside Healthcare, Inc. Second Amendment for 24-hour (SNF) and Mental Health Recovery Center Services. Parkside Healthcare, Inc. provides 24-hour SNF and Mental Health Recovery Center services for seriously mentally ill clients who require a high level of care due to the severity of their illnesses. Clients placed at Parkside Healthcare, Inc. receive the following services: (1) medication management, (2) care and supervision, (3) daily activities, and (4) food services.</p> <p>The Second Amendment to the agreement with Parkside Healthcare, Inc. increases the maximum contract amount to \$1,416,600 to ensure adequate funding is available to meet services needs through fiscal year end. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment; 1991 Realignment.</p>
6/4/2024	Sylmar Health & Rehabilitation Center, Inc	\$471,350	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 2023-24 Sylmar Health & Rehabilitation Center, Inc (SHRC) Fourth Amendment. SHRC is an IMD that facilitates recovery in a restricted environment. SHRC is Ventura County Behavioral Health's (VCBH) primary residential treatment provider for legal competence restoration services for alleged misdemeanants. SHRC also provides residential treatment for Murphy conservatees (defendants charged with a felony involving death, great bodily harm, or a serious threat to the physical well-being of another person, and for whom a conservatorship was pursued under Welfare and Institutions Code section 5008(h)(1)(B)).</p> <p>The Fourth Amendment to the agreement with SHRC will increase the maximum amount of the agreement to \$2,474,034 to ensure adequate funding is available to meet services needs through fiscal year end. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment; 1991 Realignment.</p>
6/4/2024	Amada Enterprises, Inc. DBA View Heights Convalescent Hospital	\$4,475,000	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Amada Enterprises, Inc. Agreement. Amada Enterprises, Inc. provides 24-hour IMD services for seriously mentally ill clients who require a high level of care due to the severity of their illnesses. Clients receive the following services: (1) medication management, (2) care and supervision, (3) daily activities, and (4) food services. The proposed agreement with Amada Enterprises, Inc. is for a one-year term (July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025) and represents a 3% increase in services rates (Tier 1 from \$233.40 to \$240.40/day, Tier 2 from \$368.13 to \$379.17/day, Tier 3 from \$403.14 to \$415.23/day, Tier 4 from \$440.27 to \$453.48, 1:1 from \$31.83 to \$32.83/hour, Ancillary from \$216.18 to \$222.58/day, and Bed Hold from \$210.32 to \$216.63), an increase in the number of clients that will be served,</p> <p>The Agreement with Amada Enterprises, Inc. is in the amount of \$4,475,000. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment; 1991 Realignment.</p>

6/4/2024	Crestwood Behavioral Health, Inc. (Crestwood – Bakersfield)	\$300,000	July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Agreement with Crestwood - Bakersfield for Mental Health Rehabilitation Center (MHRC) Services. Crestwood Bakersfield provides mental health rehabilitation center services to seriously mentally ill clients who require a high level of care due to the severity of their illnesses. Clients placed at Crestwood - Bakersfield receive the following services: (1) medication management, (2) training and support with skills related to daily living activities, (3) daily rehabilitation groups, (4) individual psychotherapy, and (5) various other non-clinical services that are designed to support recovery. The agreement is for a one-year term (July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025) and represents an increase in rates (Level 3 from \$330.00/day to \$347.00/day, Level 2 from \$366.00/day to \$384.00/day, Level 1 from \$403.00/day to \$423.00/day, and 1:1 from \$745.00/day to \$782.00/day), representing a decrease in the maximum contract amount of \$102,000, and necessary contract updates. Through the proposed agreement with Crestwood - Bakersfield MCHRC, an average of 1 client can be supported throughout FY 2024-25.</p> <p>The Agreement with Crestwood - Bakersfield is in the amount of \$300,000. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment; 1991 Realignment.</p>
6/4/2024	Parkside Healthcare, Inc. DBA Parkside Health and Wellness Center	\$1,416,600	July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Parkside Healthcare, Inc. Agreement. Parkside Healthcare, Inc. provides 24-hour SNF and Mental Health Recovery Center services for seriously mentally ill clients who require a high level of care due to the severity of their illnesses. Clients placed at Parkside receive the following services: (1) medication management, (2) care and supervision, (3) daily activities, and (4) food services. The agreement with Parkside Healthcare, Inc. is for a one-year term (July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025) and represents an increase in rates, non-Medi-Cal from \$450.00/day to \$470.00/day, “Bed Hold” from \$420.00/day to \$440.00/day).</p> <p>The Agreement with Parkside Healthcare, Inc. is in the amount to \$1,416,600. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment; 1991 Realignment.</p>
6/4/2024	SHRC	\$2,474,034	July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 SHRC Agreement . SHRC is an IMD that facilitates recovery in a restricted environment. SHRC is VCBH’s primary residential treatment provider for legal competence restoration services for alleged misdemeanants. SHRC also provides residential treatment for Murphy conservatees (defendants charged with a felony involving death, great bodily harm, or a serious threat to the physical well-being of another person, and for whom a conservatorship was pursued under Welfare and Institutions Code section 5008(h)(1)(B)).</p> <p>The Agreement with SHRC is in the amount of \$2,474,034. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment; 1991 Realignment.</p>
6/4/2024	Telecare Corporation (La Paz)	\$500,000	July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Telecare Corporation La Paz Agreement. Telecare Corporation La Paz provides 24-hour SNF and IMD services for seriously mentally ill clients who require a high level of care due to the severity of their illnesses. Clients placed at Telecare’s La Paz Geropsychiatric Center receive the following services: (1) medication management, (2) care and supervision, (3) daily activities, and (4) food services. The agreement is for a one-year term and represents a 5% increase in rates (Non-Medi-Cal \$214.76/day to \$225.50/day, enhanced services rate \$168.61/day to \$177.05/day, 1:1 \$42.75 to \$44.89/hour, court appearance \$100/hour to \$105/hour, transportation \$350/day to \$367.50/day, and bed hold \$365.11/day to \$402.55/day).</p> <p>The Agreement with Telecare Corporation (La Paz) is in the amount of \$500,000. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment; 1991 Realignment.</p>
6/4/2024	Vista Woods Health Associates LLC dba Vista Knoll Specialized Care Facility	\$671,435	July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Vista Woods Health Associates LLC dba Vista Knoll Specialized Care Facility (Vista Woods) Agreement. Vista Woods provides 24-hour SNF services for seriously mentally ill clients who require a high level of care due to the severity of their illnesses. In addition to the SNF services, clients receive the following services: (1) medication management; (2) care and supervision; (3) daily activities; and (4) food services. The agreement is for a one-year term, represents an increase in rates (Medi-Cal Client per day \$200, Non-Medi-Cal Client per day \$470, transportation per day \$400 and bed hold per day \$450. The Court appearance rate will remain as is at \$130 per hour).</p> <p>The Agreement with Vista Woods is in the amount of \$671,435. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment; 1991 Realignment.</p>

6/4/2024	Aegis Treatment Centers, LLC	\$760,000	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 2023-24 Aegis Treatment Centers, LLC (Aegis) Second Amendment for outpatient Narcotic Treatment Program (NTP) services. Aegis provides outpatient NTP services and Medications for Addiction Treatment (MAT) services for adults. Aegis currently has clinics in Oxnard, Santa Paula, Simi Valley, and Ventura with a total licensed capacity of 1,370 clients. Since July 2023, Aegis has provided services to 998 Drug Medi-Cal (DMC) clients and estimates serving 1,018 DMC clients by fiscal year end.</p> <p>The Second Amendment to the Agreement with Aegis represents an increase of \$760,000 to \$7,800,000 due to an upward trend in clients and service provision. There are no other changes to the proposed agreement. This agreement is funded with Drug Medi-Cal Federal Financial Participation (DMC FFP), 2011 Realignment funds, and State General Fund.</p>
6/4/2024	HealthRIGHT 360	\$243,350	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 2023-24 HealthRIGHT 360 Second Amendment. Healthright 360 provides three levels of residential treatment services and one level of withdrawal management treatment services for women and their children. The three levels of residential treatment services include: (1) clinically managed low-intensity residential services, (2) clinically managed population-specific high-intensity residential services for adults only, and (3) clinically managed residential services with high intensity for adults and medium intensity for adolescents. Since July 2023, HealthRIGHT 360 served 137 residential and 137 withdrawal management clients and 53 of those clients received MAT services. HealthRIGHT 360 estimates serving 185 residential and 185 withdrawal management clients and 80 of those clients will receive MAT services by fiscal year end.</p> <p>The Second Amendment to the Agreement with HealthRIGHT 360 represents an increase of \$243,350 to \$3,900,000 due to the provision of more units of service by the provider. This agreement is funded with DMC FFP, State General Fund, 2011 Realignment, CalWORKS, Judicial Council of California (JCC) and Assembly Bill (AB) 109 funds.</p>
6/4/2024	Western Pacific Med-Corp	\$172,600	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 2023-24 Western Pacific Med-Corp (Western Pacific) Second Amendment. Western Pacific provides outpatient NTP/MAT services for adults. Western Pacific currently has a clinic in Ventura with a total licensed capacity of 450 clients. Since July 2023, Western Pacific has provided services to 398 DMC clients and estimates serving 423 DMC clients by fiscal year end.</p> <p>The Second Amendment to the Agreement with Western Pacific represents an increase of \$172,600 to \$2,050,000 due to an upward trend in clients and service provision. This agreement is funded by DMC FFP, 2011 Realignment funds and State General Fund.</p>
6/4/2024	Idea Engineering, Inc.	\$25,000	January 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2023-25 Idea Engineering, Inc. First Amendment. Idea Engineering, Inc. provides: (1) identification of community needs and resources among vulnerable sub-populations, (2) documentation of risk and protective factors, findings of community needs and resource assessment activities, (3) community-supported interventions engaging persons of diverse backgrounds in projects which examine local substance use risk among underserved and/or stigmatized populations, and (4) awareness campaign(s) to reach high-risk groups, sub-populations, neighborhoods, families and/or communities. Idea Engineering, Inc. also provides media planning, buying and production services across all types of media that relate to the Prevention Services overseen by VCBH. Substance Use Block Grant (SUBG) American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) supplemental funding is used for awareness campaigns among school-aged youth. The proposed first amendment to the agreement with Idea Engineering, Inc. will revise the agreement to augment youth education and informational materials regarding new multi-drug risks, especially the poisoning risks associated with stimulants like methamphetamine and cocaine, now mixed with fentanyl. The agreement is also being revised to remove duplicative media and messaging activities information that was inadvertently added twice.</p> <p>The First Amendment to the agreement with Idea Engineering, Inc., represents an increase of \$25,000 to new maximum of \$758,150. This agreement is funded with Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Services Block Grant (SUBG) and SUBG American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), Vehicle Fines (Trust N853-772D and N853-772G), and Statham Fund (Trust N853-772F)</p>

6/4/2024	Reality Improv Connection, Inc.	\$52,000	January 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2023-25 Reality Improv Connection, Inc. (Reality Improv) First Amendment. Reality Improv provides: (1) Prevention outreach related to marijuana use and vaping harms to reach both parents and youth, using research-based content, (2) develop and launch engaging education efforts and provide community presentations about marijuana and the developing brain, (3) underage drinking prevention outreach for parents and youth, (4) specialized in-service and/or staff development training. The agreement will use Opioid Settlement Funds to: (1) support up-to-date digital content for overdose awareness and response training countywide, including fentanyl test strips, and other harm reduction practices and (2) support the provision of in-studio and remote video production and editing services, in collaboration with VCBH, to deliver video segments supporting key asynchronous content, including harm reduction strategies, in both Spanish and English.</p> <p>The First Amendment with Reality Improv represent an increase of \$52,000 to new contract maximum of \$579,000. This agreement is funded with SUBG, SUBG ARPA, Vehicle Fines, Statham, and Opioid Settlement Funds.</p>
6/4/2024	Two Trees Community, Inc.	\$97,495	January 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2023-25 Two Trees Community, Inc. (Two Trees) Agreement First Amendment. Two Trees provides: (1) data-driven overdose prevention education and rescue efforts throughout the county, (2) expanded overdose response training and naloxone distribution, including public agencies such as libraries and municipal transit systems, as well as private non-profit organizations, (3) training services in both English and Spanish, with data quality standards regarding how and where naloxone kits are used, and (4) technical assistance to County and other agencies regarding opioid response protocols. The first amendment will utilize Opioid Settlement Funds to: (1) expand the countywide overdose prevention response by providing realistic, repeatable, and recordable training sessions across a variety of settings and languages, making training easier to access and (2) support the development of an Overdose Prevention and Harm Reduction Plan to support high-impact, low-barrier prevention tools and materials.</p> <p>The First Amendment with Two Trees represent an increase of \$97,495 to new contract maximum of \$543,320. This agreement is funded with Opioid Settlement Funds.</p>
6/4/2024	Ventura County Office of Education	\$20,000	January 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2023-25 Ventura County Office of Education (VCOE) First Amendment. VCOE provides VCBH with: (1) prevention and educational strategies to increase the awareness of opioids and fentanyl risks countywide, (2) activities to lower prescription opioid misuse, deter the use of fentanyl, increase security and safe drug disposal options, and decrease drug demand through compelling and fact-based community outreach strategies for parents, educators, and community members regarding opioids and overdose risks, and (3) prevention outreach and how to talk with youth/adolescents about substance use and misuse. The first amendment will expand the County's strategy to combat the opioid crisis by supporting evidenced-based adolescent prevention education curriculum within secondary school districts to prevent drug misuse among vulnerable youth.</p> <p>The First Amendment with VCOE represents an increase of \$20,000 to new contract maximum of \$305,000. This agreement is funded with Opioid Settlement Funds.</p>
6/18/2024	California Department of Health Care Services	\$205,117	September 15, 2021 through June 30, 2025	<p>California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Crisis Care Mobile Units (CCMU) Program Grant provides mobile crisis team services. Advocates for Human Potential, Inc. (AHP), the private corporation that DHCS selected and contracted with to administer the CCMU grant application, award and program process, notified VCBH that additional funding was available to CCMU grantees to fund direct service costs for mobile crisis teams. VCBH will use the additional CCMU grant funding to hire a full-time clinician (using an existing regular full-time equivalent position) who will be dedicated to transitional aged youth (TAY) services and the CCMU team. The proposed second amendment to the Sub-contract Agreement with AHP for CCMU grant services incorporates the additional funding for these services and corrects a computational error made earlier in the Statement of Work, resulting in recalculated Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) funding for Quarters 10-15, and a reduction to the Statement of Work of \$3,054.</p> <p>The Second Amendment with DHCS CCMU represents an increase of \$205,117 to new contract maximum of \$963,965. This agreement is funded with BHCIP Round 1 funding.</p>

6/18/2024	Kids & Families	\$539,614	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Kids & Families Agreement. Kids & Families provides therapeutic family support services (TFSS) to families in crisis by improving parenting and family functioning. TFSS services include therapeutic intervention and modeling to help improve parent-child interactions and ongoing attachment via licensed, unlicensed registered, or waived clinical professionals in a safe and natural environment, and consist of parent support groups, therapy sessions and visitation services with a coaching component for treatment of anxiety or other mental health disorders. Therapists provide services in the family's home to allow parents to engage with their children in situations that closely mirror the reality of home life. Of the families whose TFSS services concluded at any time between January 2022 and March 2023, 100% experienced no reentry into the child welfare system within twelve (12) months of ending services. The probability exists that TFSS will either merge with, or fold into, PathPoint, another non-profit corporation. Human Services Agency (HSA) and Health Care Agency (HCA)-VCBH have been in communication with PathPoint and PathPoint has expressed interest in continuing the contracted services should a merge or fold into occur.</p> <p>The agreement with TFSS is jointly overseen by HSA and Health Care Agency (HCA)-VCBH to avoid any interruption in services should TFSS merge with or fold into PathPoint during the contract term in the amount not to exceed \$539,614. This agreement is funded by SD/MC FFP, 1991 Realignment and 2011 Realignment, State, Realignment and County General funding.</p>
6/18/2024	Seneca Family of Agencies	\$2,912,816	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Seneca Family of Agencies (Seneca) Wraparound and Family Urgent Response Services (FURS) Amendment for intensive, family centered, strengths-based, trauma-informed planning and support services. Wraparound is an intensive, family-centered, strengths-based, trauma-informed planning and support process that takes place in a team setting, where children and families participate in partnership with practitioners to achieve goals related to safety, permanency and well-being. Wraparound shifts focus away from a traditional service-driven, problem-based approach to care, and instead follows a culturally relevant, strengths-based, needs-driven approach. Of the families whose Wraparound services concluded at any time between January and December 2022, 90% experienced no reentry into the child welfare system within twelve (12) months of ending services. FURS provides services to current and former foster youth and their foster parents/caregivers who are experiencing crisis or emotional, physical, or behavioral distress through phone response, in-person mobile response, triage services, follow-up support, and referrals to an array of services. The program is available 24x7x365 to ensure immediate response when needs arise. FURS has successfully served dozens of local families this past year. The Governor's May Revision continues to propose elimination of the program due to budget shortfalls; your Board has registered opposition to this cut. Any state funding reductions will result in commensurate contract reductions. The FURS program makes up 18% of the \$2.9 M contract with Seneca, and the remaining services of Wraparound would continue.</p> <p>The agreement with Seneca for Wraparound and FURS services is jointly overseen by HSA-Children & Family Services and HCA-VCBH to renew services in the amount not to exceed \$2,912,816. This agreement is funded by SD/MC FFP, 1991 Realignment and 2011 Realignment, State, Realignment and County General funding.</p>
6/18/2024	Golden Ventura CRT, LLC	\$2,370,000	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Golden Ventura CRT, LLC Second Amendment. Golden Ventura CRT, LLC provides 24/7 crisis stabilization services to Ventura County residents between the ages of 18 to 59 who are experiencing an acute psychiatric episode, or intense emotional distress, in a voluntary, unlocked, structured therapeutic environment. Golden Ventura CRT, LLC provides services that include a range of activities that support members in their efforts to restore, maintain and apply interpersonal and independent living skills. These services may include assessment, plan development, therapy, rehabilitation, collateral, Crisis Intervention and Medication Management. The program uses a psychosocial rehabilitation model that provides a balance of activities, education, vocational services, therapy, health, and socialization to support physical, psychological, and spiritual health. Throughout FY 2023-24, Golden CRT served 166 unduplicated members and maintained a daily average member attendance of twelve (12).</p> <p>The Second Amendment with Golden Ventura CRT is for a one-year term that includes an increase of \$206,620 to cover VCBH's expanding medically necessary services to members, including medication education performed by registered nurses, nurse practitioners, and licensed vocational nurses. Also, includes standard contract changes related to insurance, licensure, language services, record retention and other non-substantive changes. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP and Mental Health Services Act (MHSA).</p>

6/18/2024	BH-VC OPCO SP, LLC DBA Jackson House Santa Paula	\$2,420,000	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 BH-VC OPCO SP, LLC DBA Jackson House Santa Paula (Jackson House Santa Paula) Second Amendment. Jackson House Santa Paula provides a short-term, voluntary, and licensed social rehabilitation program for up to sixteen (16) adults who are experiencing increased psychiatric symptoms and/or a behavioral health crisis. The Jackson House facility services are used by members to avoid acute hospitalization or to assist members in stepping down from an acute hospital stay. Treatment services include assessment, community functioning evaluation, mental health counseling (including individual and group therapy and peer support) treatment for co-occurring substance abuse disorders, Wellness and Recovery based group interventions, case management, medication services, and successful linkages to community support services with the goal of minimizing the risk of hospitalization or return to routine crisis-based care. Throughout FY 2023-24, Jackson House served 186 unduplicated members and maintained an average daily member count of approximately twelve (12) members.</p> <p>The Second Amendment with Jackson House Santa Paula is for a one-year term that includes includes an increase of \$120,000 to cover VCBH's expanding medically necessary services to members, including medication education performed by registered nurses, nurse practitioners, and licensed vocational nurses. Also includes standard contract changes related to insurance, licensure, language services, record retention and other non-substantive changes. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP and MHSA.</p>
6/18/2024	Turning Point Foundation	\$632,994	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Turning Point Foundation (Turning Point) Growing Works Second Amendment. Turning Point Growing Works provides a nursery/horticultural peer job readiness program using established recovery principles to provide job readiness training to VCBH members. Turning Point Growing Works operates the program based on a logic model built into the scope of work, delineating specific activities, outputs, and outcomes. Throughout FY 2023-24, Turning Point Growing Works served twenty-nine (29) unduplicated members and maintained a daily average attendance of five (5) members.</p> <p>The Second Amendment with Turning Point Growing Works is for a one-year term that includes an increase of \$120,000 to cover staff wage increase and a one-time purchase of special equipment needed for the program. Also includes standard contract changes related to insurance, licensure, language services, record retention and other non-substantive changes. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP and MHSA.</p>
6/18/2024	Turning Point	\$1,336,992	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Turning Point REHAB Second Amendment. Turning Point REHAB provides psychiatric rehabilitation-oriented services to VCBH enrolled members who are experiencing moderate to severe difficulties in functioning in at least one major life domain. Psychiatric rehabilitation services are adjunct to existing VCBH services and are specifically geared to provide referred members with support to increase their skills and abilities in daily living skills, social skills, communication skills, self-care, household skills and budgeting skills. Turning Point REHAB utilizes a recovery model approach and develops a recovery plan for each member that encourages member's rehabilitation progress towards more structured community involvement in such things as: school, training, volunteer work or employment. Throughout FY 2023-24, Turning Point REHAB served 115 unduplicated members and maintained a daily average attendance of twenty-five (25) members.</p> <p>The Second Amendment with Turning Point REHAB is for a one-year term that includes an increase of \$44,992 to cover staff wage increase. Also includes standard contract changes related to insurance, licensure, language services, record retention and other non-substantive changes. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP and Realignment.</p>
6/18/2024	PathPoint	\$620,000	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Pathpoint Third Amendment. Pathpoint provides rehabilitation services to adults who suffer from severe and persistent mental illness using an evidence-based psychiatric rehabilitation model. The model provides day treatment services that integrate peer support with licensed professional supervision as a strategy for providing self-help, rehabilitation, and recovery-oriented services. The program provides structured skill-building groups, support groups, and activities six (6) days per week and is designed to enhance independent living skills and develop and practice coping, social, and communication skills. Throughout FY 2023-24, PathPoint served seventy-seven (77) unduplicated members and maintained an average daily attendance of eleven (11) members.</p> <p>The Third Amendment with PathPoint is for a one-year term that includes an increase of \$52,000 to the maximum contract amount, due to an increase in staff wages. Also includes standard contract changes related to insurance, licensure, language services, record retention and other non-substantive changes. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP and Realignment.</p>

6/18/2024	ASC Treatment Group	\$1,108,878	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 ASC Treatment Group (ASC Los Angeles) Fourth Amendment. ASC Los Angeles provides adult residential treatment services and offers 24-hour staffing and a full range of clinical and rehabilitation services that are designed to assist members in their mental health recovery. Specifically, the following clinical and rehabilitation services are provided: psychiatry and medication support, individual and group therapy, therapeutic recreation/community activities, and case management. The goal of this program is to assist members in being able to live in a less restrictive environment upon discharge. Throughout FY 2023-24, ASC Los Angeles served ten (10) unduplicated members and maintained an average daily attendance of approximately ten (10).</p> <p>The Fourth Amendment with ASC Los Angeles is for a one-year term that includes an increase of \$68,276 to the maximum contract amount, due to VCBH utilizing two (2) additional beds and an increase to overall services being provided. Also includes standard contract changes related to insurance, licensure, language services, record retention and other non-substantive changes. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP, Realignment and Tobacco Settlement.</p>
6/18/2024	ASC Treatment Group	\$1,436,112	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 ASC Bakersfield Fourth Amendment. ASC Bakersfield provides adult residential treatment services and offers 24-hour staffing and a full range of clinical and rehabilitation services that are designed to assist members in their mental health recovery. Specifically, the following clinical and rehabilitation services are provided: psychiatry and medication support, individual and group therapy, therapeutic recreation/community activities, and case management. The goal of this program is to assist members in being able to live in a less restrictive environment upon discharge. Throughout FY 2023-24, ASC Bakersfield served thirteen (13) unduplicated members and maintained an average daily attendance of approximately twelve (12).</p> <p>The Fourth Amendment with ASC Bakersfield is for a one-year term that includes an increase of \$66,713 to the maximum contract amount, due to an increase in staff wages and benefits, increasing costs in contracted professional services, and planned facilities maintenance. Also includes standard contract changes related to insurance, licensure, language services, record retention and other non-substantive changes. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP, Realignment and Tobacco Settlement.</p>
6/18/2024	Telecare Corporation	\$1,203,737	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Telecare Corporation Casa B - Brighter Tomorrows (Telecare Casa B) Second Amendment. Telecare Casa B provides social rehabilitation-oriented services including 24-hour care and supervision of up to a maximum of fifteen (15) adult residents, ranging from 18 to 59 years of age, in a non-institutional community setting. Members receive services in a supervised, supportive, community-based living environment where they can learn the skills necessary to develop more independence and function in the community. Throughout FY 2023-24, Telecare Casa B served twenty (20) unduplicated members and maintained an average daily census of approximately fifteen (15) members.</p> <p>The Second Amendment with Telecare Casa B is for a one-year term that includes an increase of \$9,906 to the maximum contract amount, due to an increase in staff wages as a result of SB 525 salary minimums for healthcare workers, general increases to staff wages and increased food costs. Also includes minor language changes related to insurance, licensure, language services, record retention and other non-substantive changes. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP, Realignment and MHSA.</p>
6/18/2024	Telecare Corporation	\$1,233,931	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Telecare Corporation Casa C - House of Transitions (Telecare Casa C) Second Amendment. Telecare Casa C provides social rehabilitation-oriented services including 24-hour care and supervision of up to a maximum of fifteen (15) adult residents, ranging from 18 to 59 years of age in a non-institutional community setting. Members receive services in a supervised, supportive, community-based living environment where they can learn the skills necessary to develop more independence and function in the community. Throughout FY 2023-24, Telecare Casa C served twenty (20) unduplicated members and maintained an average daily census of approximately fifteen (15) members.</p> <p>The Second Amendment with Telecare Casa C is for a one-year term that includes an increase of \$158,277 to the maximum contract amount, due to an increase in staff wages as a result of SB 525 salary minimums for healthcare workers, general increases to staff wages and increased food costs. Also includes minor language changes related to insurance, licensure, language services, record retention and other non-substantive changes. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP, Realignment and MHSA.</p>

6/18/2024	Telecare Corporation	\$1,247,195	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Telecare Corporation Casa D - Starship (Telecare Casa D) Second Amendment. Telecare Casa D provides social rehabilitation-oriented services including 24-hour care and supervision of up to a maximum of fifteen (15) adult residents, ranging from 18 to 59 years of age, in a non-institutional community setting. Members receive services in a supervised, supportive, community-based living environment where they can learn the skills necessary to develop more independence and function in the community. Throughout FY 2023-24, Telecare Casa D served eighteen (18) unduplicated members and maintained an average daily census of approximately (15) members.</p> <p>The Second Amendment with Telecare Casa D is for a one-year term that includes an increase of \$132,914 to the maximum contract amount, due to an increase in staff wages as a result of SB 525 salary minimums for healthcare workers, general increases to staff wages and increased food costs. Also includes minor language changes related to insurance, licensure, language services, record retention and other non-substantive changes. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP, Realignment and MHSA.</p>
6/18/2024	Telecare Corporation	\$1,065,955	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Telecare Corporation Casa E - Stonehenge (Telecare Casa E) Second Amendment. Telecare Casa E provides adult residential facility program services within its fifteen (15) bed facility for program residents that range from 18 to 59 years of age. While there is no limit on length of stay at this program, staff work with residents using Telecare's Recovery Centered Clinical System and begin to identify their hopes and dreams for the future with the goal of reducing residents use of acute care facilities. Throughout FY 2023-24, Telecare Casa E served fifteen (15) unduplicated members and maintained an average daily census of fifteen (15) members.</p> <p>The Second Amendment with Telecare Casa E is for a one-year term that includes an increase of \$156,562 to the maximum contract amount, due to an increase in staff wages as a result of SB 525 salary minimums for healthcare workers, general increases to staff wages and increased food costs. Also includes minor language changes related to insurance, licensure, language services, record retention and other non-substantive changes. This agreement is funded with Realignment.</p>
6/18/2024	Telecare Corporation	\$3,543,271	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Telecare Corporation Horizon View (Telecare Horizon View) Second Amendment. Telecare Horizon View provides locked MHRC services for individuals who have a history of severe mental illness who cannot be properly treated at lower levels of care. These consumers are: (1) Medi-Cal eligible, (2) 18 years or older, and (3) on conservatorship pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code section 5350, et seq. (the "Lanterman-Petris-Short Act") and are transferring from an acute psychiatric hospital, a state hospital, or another locked MHRC. Throughout FY 2023-24, Telecare Horizon View served twenty-four (24) unduplicated members and maintained an average daily census of fifteen (15) members. Members receive supervision, guidance, and personal assistance in performing their daily living activities. In addition, structured day and evening services are also provided to assist members in acquiring living skills, accessing community resources, and accessing educational/vocational resources.</p> <p>The Second Amendment with Telecare Horizon View is for a one-year term that includes an increase of \$71,299 to the maximum contract amount, due to an increase in staff wages as a result of SB 525 salary minimums for healthcare workers, general increases to staff wages and increased food costs. Also includes minor language changes related to insurance, licensure, language services, record retention and other non-substantive changes. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP and Realignment.</p>
6/18/2024	Aegis	\$7,920,000	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Aegis Third Amendment. Aegis provides outpatient NTP services and MAT services for adults. Aegis currently has clinics in Oxnard, Santa Paula, Simi Valley, and Ventura with a total licensed capacity of 1,370 clients. From July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, Aegis provided services to 737 DMC clients. Since July 2023, Aegis has provided services to 678 DMC clients and estimates serving 691 DMC clients by fiscal year end.</p> <p>The Third Amendment with Aegis is for a one-year term that includes an increase of \$120,000 to the maximum contract amount, due to an increased projection of service delivery over the coming fiscal year. Also includes boilerplate language changes related to insurance, debarment and suspension certification, personnel, quality assurance, members' rights and protections, timely access, record retention, and other non-substantive changes. This agreement is funded with DMC-ODS FFP, State General Fund, and 2011 Realignment funds.</p>

6/18/2024	Khepera House	\$980,204	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Khepera House Second Amendment. Khepera House provides residential and withdrawal management services for men in their Ventura facility. Khepera House has a total licensed capacity for twenty-four (24) clients. Since July 2023, Khepera House has provided services to forty-one (41) DMC clients and estimates serving 80 DMC clients by fiscal year end. In FY 2024-25, Khepera House estimates serving 240 DMC clients.</p> <p>The Second Amendment with Khepera House is for a one-year term that includes an increase of \$345,553 to the maximum contract amount, due to the contract being annualized as the FY 2023-24 agreement was for a nine-month term. There has been no change in the residential rates from the prior fiscal year. The room and board rate increased from \$28.63 to \$32.72 per unit due to increased operating costs. Also includes boilerplate language changes related to insurance, debarment and sus-pension certification, personnel, quality assurance, members' rights and protections, timely access, record retention, and other non-substantive changes. This agreement is funded with DMC-ODS FFP, SUBG, State General Funds, AB109 funds and 2011 Realignment funds.</p>
6/18/2024	Conejo Health	\$240,000	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Conejo Health Agreement. Conejo Health provides VCBH with data-informed and evidence-based approaches to prevent opioid and other drug overdose in Ventura County using: (1) informational and psychoeducational services with a specific focus on fentanyl and related drug risk, (2) resource assistance to individuals in person and via telehealth to increase understanding and access to services, including medication for addiction treatment, and (3) coordination of healthcare and community services to prevent or reduce re-admission to emergency departments for opioid and other drug overdose events. The prior year agreement with this provider was a four (4) month agreement term of March 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024, there are no outcomes to report at this time due to the short-term agreement.</p> <p>The Agreement with Conejo Health is for a one-year term that includes an increase of \$149,865 to the maximum contract amount, due to the annualization of the term of the agreement and no changes to the scope of work. This Agreement will be funded with SUBG ARPA funding.</p>
6/18/2024	Idea Engineering, Inc.	\$411,020	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Idea Engineering, Inc. Agreement. Idea Engineering, Inc. will: (1) identify community needs and resources among vulnerable sub-populations, (2) document risk and protective factors, sharing findings of community needs and resource assessment activities, (3) develop community-supported interventions by engaging persons of diverse backgrounds in projects which examine local substance use risk among historically underserved and/or stigmatized populations, (4) provide a work plan for culture or community-specific Prevention and Education outreach, expanding drug awareness in culturally informed ways to at-risk and underserved communities, and (5) launch targeted campaign(s) to reach high-risk groups, sub-populations, neighborhoods, families and/or communities. This contractor will also provide media planning, buying and production services across all types of media that relate to the Prevention Services Initiatives. In the first three quarters of FY 2023-24, Idea Engineering Inc. developed and disseminated messaging themes focused on drug misuse prevention, fentanyl risk, methamphetamine awareness, and access to care. In the first two quarters, strong local media delivery garnered over 5,200,000 total impressions, including 2,222,300 impressions via TV, radio and newspapers, 890,000 via online, streaming and targeted website ads, and over 2,000,000 via movie theater and location-based advertising.</p> <p>The Agreement with Idea Engineering, Inc. is for a one-year term that does not includes a change to the maximum contract amount. This agreement is being presented due to a revision to the contract template format used for this service provider type. This Agreement will be funded with SUBG and SUBG ARPA funding.</p>

6/18/2024	Reality Improv	\$351,346	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Reality Improv Agreement. Reality Improv provides VCBH with: (1) Prevention outreach related to marijuana use and vaping harms to reach both parents and youth, using research-based content approved by VCBH, (2) develop and launch engaging education efforts Provide community presentations about marijuana and the developing brain, (3) provide underage drinking prevention outreach for parents and youth, (4) advance strategies for retail policy enforcement, (5) coordinate with police and Sheriff's Office regarding media to deter access by youth (21 and under); and carry out specialized in-service and/or staff development training. In the first three quarters of FY 2023-24, Reality Improv documented 8,869 classroom workshop participants across 364 sessions. With special attention to those from higher-need school communities, Reality Improv continued expansion of interactive and immersive technologies for substance use prevention and health promotion, recording 37,889 plays of educational games online, and assisted young people in developing digital health messaging for use in reaching diverse audiences, through strategic use of high-quality audio and video.</p> <p>The Agreement with Reality Improv is for a one-year term that represents no change from the prior year maximum agreement amount and removal of opioid settlement services from the scope of work that were included in the prior year agreement as a one-time augmentation. This agreement is being presented due to a revision to the contract template format used for this service provider type. This Agreement will be funded with SUBG and SUBG ARPA funding.</p>
6/18/2024	Khepera House	\$310,250	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Khepera House Agreement. Khepera House provides substance use services recovery residences services for adults (men and women) in their Ventura, California facility. In this recovery residence facility, clients receive twenty-four (24) hour residential care that promotes individual recovery from alcohol and other illicit drugs through positive peer group interactions among house members and staff. In the first three quarters of FY 2023-24, Khepera House completed the: (1) intake process for twenty-one (21) individuals and (2) discharge process for four (4) individuals.</p> <p>The Agreement with Khepera House is for a one-year term that represents a \$114,080 increase from prior year maximum agreement amount due to an increase in the bed day rate from \$32 to \$34 per day, increase in the number of beds from 23 to 25, and increase in the number of bed days from 1,638 to 9,125. The proposed agreement also is utilizing a new contract template format for this service provider type. This Agreement will be funded with SUBG funding.</p>
6/18/2024	Turning Point	\$1,243,997	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Turning Point Agreement. Turning Point provides Residential Care Facility for the Elderly (RCFE) services for adults with serious and persistent mental illness which have resulted in significant functional impairments requiring 24-hour care and supervision to promote safety and recovery. The acuity level of these individuals is high in that they require daily assistance in one or more areas of life functioning, including: attending to self-care and basic needs, attending to medical and medication needs, maintaining participation in supportive mental health/substance abuse and other recovery-based support programs, and socializing and re-integrating into the community.</p> <p>The Agreement with Turning Point is for the amount of \$1,243,997. This Agreement will be funded with 1991 Realignment and 2011 Realignment and MHSA.</p>
6/18/2024	Casa Pacifica	\$666,462	July 1, 2023 Through June 30, 2024	<p>FY 2024-25 Casa Pacifica Non-Public Schools (NPS) Program Second Amendment. Casa Pacifica NPS provides Mental health related services identified on students' Individualized Education Program (IEP) and other Medi-Cal specialty mental health services (SMHS) as indicated through the NPS program. The unduplicated client count in FY 2023-24 was 40 for NPS (July through April).</p> <p>The Second Amendment with Casa Pacifica NPS is for an increase of \$118,382 due to an increase in the services being provided and an adjustment to the provider service rates. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP and Realignment.</p>

6/18/2024	Aspiranet	\$376,515	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 Aspiranet Intensive Services Foster Care Program (ISFC) Second Amendment . Aspiranet provides ISFC Specialty Mental Health Services (SMHS). Services are targeted at children younger than twenty-one (21) years of age who are Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) Medi-Cal beneficiaries. Aspiranet has been contracted to provide mental health, case management and crisis intervention services for youth who are at risk of being placed in a higher level of care or are transitioning from a higher level of care. ISFC offers placement in a foster home with specially trained foster parents in a setting with intensive support services to stabilize a child. The unduplicated client count in FY 2023-24 was fifteen (15) for ISFC for the period of July through April.</p> <p>The Second Amendment with Aspiranet is for a one-year term that represents an increase of \$80,053 to the maximum agreement amount from the prior fiscal year due to inflationary pressures on staff wages and other services and supplies. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP and Realignment.</p>
6/18/2024	New Dawn Counseling and Consulting, Inc.	\$1,324,830	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 New Dawn Counseling and Consulting, Inc. (New Dawn) Third Amendment. New Dawn provides EPSDT SMHS to children and their families. New Dawn is being contracted to provide mental health, case management and crisis intervention units of service. In FY 2023-24, New Dawn provided services to 211 unduplicated clients (July to April).</p> <p>The Third Amendment with New Dawn is for a one-year term that represents an increase of \$50,830 (from \$1,274,000 to \$1,324,830) to the maximum amount of Exhibit B payment for the provision of SMHS, from the prior fiscal year due to the addition of a part time clinician, inflationary pressures on staff wages and other services and supplies. The overall maximum agreement amount will decrease from \$1,379,525 to \$1,324,830 with the expiration of the Provider Incentive Plan in FY 2023-24. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP and Realignment.</p>
6/18/2024	United Parents	\$1,340,390	July 1, 2024 Through June 30, 2025	<p>FY 2024-25 United Parents Family Access and Support Team (FAST) Second Amendment. United Parents provides Medi-Cal FAST services to children and families. The program is designed to provide short term intensive home and community based supportive services in a proactive approach with the goal of reducing the need for crisis-based interventions, hospitalizations, and out-of-home placements. Families of children diagnosed with Serious Emotional Disturbance (SED) benefit from a more proactive approach that supports and teaches them strategies to prevent an escalating situation from turning into a crisis. The program's peer to peer component utilizes trained parents, recruited from the communities they will serve, to work with families to build specific skills and techniques. In FY 2023-24, United Parents provided FAST program services to 184 families, 86 families were enrolled, and 56 were discharged (July through April).</p> <p>The Second Amendment with United Parents is for a one-year term that represents an increase of \$319,870 to the maximum contract amount from the prior fiscal year due to the addition of an educational advocate, a training coordinator, a part-time clinician, and administrative support. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Mental Health Block Grant (MHBG) and MHSA.</p>