

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Director of Mental Health

SUBMITTAL DATE:
April 8, 2004

SUBJECT: Approval of the First Amendment to the Agreement with Western Clinical Health Services, Inc. (W.C.H.S.) for FY 2003/04, All Districts.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Supervisors:
Approve the First Amendment to the Agreement with Western Clinical Health Services, Inc. (W.C.H.S.), and authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign the Amendment.

Departmental Concurrence

AGREEMENT HAS BEEN FORM APPROVED BY THE OFFICE OF COUNTY COUNSEL.


JJR:PR


 John J. Ryan
 Director of Mental Health

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 1,846,866	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	2003/04
SOURCE OF FUNDS: 53% Medi-Cal FFP; 47% State;			Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
			Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:
APPROVE

County Executive Office Signature 

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL
APR 07 2004
BY 

- Policy
- Consent
- Policy
- Consent

Dep't Recomm.:
Per Exec. Ofc.:

Prev. Agn. Ref.: | **District:** | **Agenda Number:**

**ATTACHMENTS FILED
WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD**

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 COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

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SUBJECT: Approval of the First Amendment to the Agreement with Western Clinical Health Services, Inc. (W.C.H.S.) for FY 2003/04, All Districts

BACKGROUND

On July, 1, 2003, item 3.29, the Board approved the FY 2003/04 contract Agreement with W.C.H.S., Inc., which provides Outpatient Methadone Maintenance services, which includes Therapy and Methadone Dosing for Substance Abuse clients. This is the First Amendment in which the department is requesting an increase to the contract maximum due to the increase in Medi-Cal eligible clients served by W.C.H.S., Inc.

W.C.H.S., Inc. is the only contracted, certified Medi-Cal provider in the geographical area and provides Outpatient Methadone Maintenance to Medi-Cal clients. Due to the increase in Medi-Cal eligible clients, W.C.H.S., Inc. is expected to exceed their estimated units of service by April 2004. An additional \$346,328 is needed to allow W.C.H.S. to continue providing services to Medi-Cal eligible clients.

Based upon the Sobkey vs. Smoley lawsuit settlement agreement, the County is considered an agent of the State with respect to the administration of Medi-Cal services, and must provide reimbursement to any and all State certified Substance Abuse Medi-Cal providers for Medi-Cal specified services, which include Outpatient Methadone Maintenance. Furthermore, the contractor is required to provide services to all Medi-Cal eligible clients requesting service, and is entitled to receive payment for actual State approved Medi-Cal units. Medi-Cal regulations, also prohibit contractors from declining services to any Medi-Cal eligible clients.

An amendment is needed for FY 2003/2004 to reflect the new contract maximum obligation amount of \$1,846,866.

WCHS, INC.	Current Maximum Obligation	Amendment	New Maximum Obligation
Methadone Dosing	\$362,158	\$192,996	\$555,154
Therapy	\$1,138,380	\$153,332	\$1,291,712
TOTAL	\$1,500,538	\$346,328	\$1,846,866

PERFORMANCE PERIOD

The period of performance is July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004.

There are sufficient funds in the Department's Organization budget to provide for the amendment and to cover the FY 2003/2004 expenditures. No additional County funds are required.

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