



Health & Human Services Agency

COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

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AGENDA DATE: August 27, 2024

Public Hearing Required	N/A
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	N/A
Published Notice Required	N/A
Advertised Published Notice	N/A
Meet & Confer Required	N/A
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	N/A
Personnel Resolution attached	N/A
Agreement(s) attached	Yes

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SUBJECT: Approve an agreement with GHC of SAC-SNF, LLC dba Gramercy Court

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve an agreement with GHC of SAC-SNF, LLC dba Gramercy Court for the provision of skilled nursing services, in an amount not to exceed \$400,000, retroactive from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025. This agreement is retroactive due to the timing in receiving the contract request; making it impracticable for the Board to take action prior July 1, 2024.
2. Find that the Board had the authority to enter into the agreement on July 1, 2024, and that it was in the County's best interest to enter into the amendment on that date.
3. Authorize the Chair of the Board to sign the agreement.

SUMMARY:

The Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency's (HHSA) Behavioral Health Branch would like to contract with GHC of SAC-SNF, LLC dba Gramercy Court (Gramercy Court) for the provision of skilled nursing facility services, including stabilization and long-term care for consumers of Tulare County who are severely and persistently mentally ill. Gramercy Court provides services designed for consumers who require 24-hour supervision and are expected to benefit from organized therapeutic treatment modalities, which may include behavioral interventions, qualification of life skills, pre-vocational preparation, and alternative placement planning. Gramercy Court strives to provide care and treatment to meet the needs of consumers in a supportive environment.

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Gramercy Court is located in Sacramento, CA, and is only one of a few out-of-county skilled nursing facilities that will accept and provide treatment for Tulare County consumers who need a higher level of care. Through this proposed agreement, Gramercy Court is expected to serve approximately six (6) consumers in Fiscal Year 2024/2025.

This agreement did not include a Request for Proposal process because Tulare County is a mental health provider shortage area. Gramercy Court is defined as a skilled nursing facility, and skilled nursing facility beds are difficult to secure. It is in the County's best interest to approve this agreement to secure quality and consistent care for its severely and persistently mentally ill consumers in need of 24-hour skilled nursing facility services.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The budgeted costs associated with this agreement are included in the HHSA's budget 001-142-1222-line 7052 medical providers, in an amount not to exceed \$400,000 for Fiscal Year 2024/2025. The average estimated cost per consumer is \$60,000. The estimated amount is subject to change based on actual utilization. This agreement is funded with local mental health realignment revenues. There is no additional net County cost to the General Fund.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Quality of Life Initiative that encourages the innovative provision of quality supportive services for at-risk adults, youth, and children in state and federally-mandated programs. This agreement increases the ability to fulfill that obligation by providing higher levels of care to County consumers in the least restrictive environment.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

/s/Casie Ennis OBO
Natalie Bolin, DSW, LCSW
Director of Mental Health

Cc: County Administrative Office

Attachments: Agreement