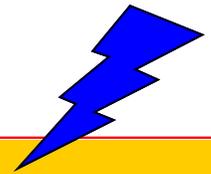


Action Item #3



September 29, 2023

ISSUE: The Welfare and Institutions Code requires all contracts of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) or more must be approved by the governing board of the regional center.

BACKGROUND: To further enhance supports to individuals with developmental disabilities who have complex needs, the Department expanded vendor-operated services to include Community Crisis Homes (CCH). CCH facilities are developed to support individuals transitioning to the community from restrictive and/or secure treatment centers and those at risk of being placed in a restrictive living arrangement. The CCH will provide the highest level of community-based, crisis residential services, for FNRC's complex need clients. Individuals may stay in the home up to 18 months and likely transition into the home directly from State or privately operated Institutions, other levels of residential care, homeless, and experiencing behavioral crisis. Individuals served may have a co-occurring mental health disorder. DDS has tasked Regional Center's with continuing to deflect individuals exhibiting crisis support needs from locked settings.

FISCAL IMPACT: There is no increase in Purchase of Service (POS) costs from previous fiscal year.

ACTION REQUESTED: The Board approve contract PS-2673 with Merakey Allos (HF0690) for Community Crisis Home (CCH) Services. Services effective October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2025 for a total maximum contract amount of \$1,601,714.88.