

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD  
**ADULT SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES ■ Thursday, July 7, 2022**

<p><b>Members Present</b>  Nancy Borchard, Committee Co-Chair  Ratan Bhavnani, NAMI Volunteer  Roberta Griego, NAMI Ventura County  Mary Haffner, Haffner Law Group  Jerry Harris, BHAB  Cheryl Heitman, BHAB  Farrah Hooshmand, Ventura County Area Agency on Aging  Jennifer Morrison, BHAB  Michael Rodriguez, BHAB  Chris Tejeda, BHAB  Scott Walker, Crisis Intervention Team  Liz Warren, BHAB</p> <p><b>Others Present</b>  Clarisa Cajian, Interpreter</p>	<p><b>Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH) Managers/Staff Present</b>  Dr. John Schipper, Adult Services Division Chief  Hilary Carson, MHSA Sr. Program Administrator  Jessica Davis, Substance Use Services Behavioral Health Manager  Estela Magdaleno-Ortega, Office of Health Equity and Cultural Diversity, Admin. Asst.  Cynthia Salas, Office of Health Equity and Cultural Diversity, Equity Services Manager  Sandra Tovar, Office of Health Equity and Cultural Diversity, Program Administrator  Susan White Wood, Behavioral Health Housing Manager  Joanna Peterson, Management Assistant / Zoom Engineer  Vickie Poliquin, BHAB Assistant</p> <p><b>NEXT MEETING:</b>  <b>Thursday, September 1, 2022, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.</b>  <b>Zoom Meeting:</b>  <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87680728818?pwd=b3dCdjBNcGszRUJ4VzM2TXY1cUJlQT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87680728818?pwd=b3dCdjBNcGszRUJ4VzM2TXY1cUJlQT09</a>  <b>Meeting ID:</b> 876 8072 8818  <b>Password:</b> 156974  <b>Dial-in:</b> 669-900-9128</p>
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Note: The committee has not yet approved these minutes. There may be additions/deletions or corrections before the minutes are accepted in final form.

	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSIONS	RECOMMENDATIONS/ ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE
I.	<b>Call to Order</b> Co-Chair Nancy Borchard called the meeting to order at 10:04 AM following the instructions provided by Joanna Peterson on how to access interpretation services.		
II.	<b>Address Any Issues of Membership</b> Ms. Borchard reported Gray Wilking was promoted to Program Manager within the Ventura County Area Agency on Aging (VCAAA) and will no longer be attending meetings. Following a brief discussion regarding the criteria for committee membership, Farrah Hooshmand also with VCAAA was officially made a member of the committee effective today.		
III.	<b>Roll Call</b> Ms. Borchard conducted roll call and determined a quorum exists.		
IV.	<b>Approval of the Agenda</b> Ms. Borchard asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Rodriguez moved to approve; Ms. Warren seconded. The motion to approve the agenda as written carried unanimously through roll call.	Agenda approved as written. <b>M/S/C</b>	
V.	<b>Approval of the May 5, 2022 Minutes</b> Ms. Borchard asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Rodriguez moved to approve; Ms. Haffner seconded. The motion to approve the minutes as written carried by majority vote with three abstentions.	Minutes approved as written. <b>M/S/C</b>	
VI.	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> Ms. Borchard welcomed everyone, and Committee members and meeting participants introduced themselves.		
VII.	<b>Public Comments</b> There were no public comments.		
VIII.	<b>Chair Announcements</b> Ms. Borchard advised she listened to the California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) Overview Webinar presented by Gold Coast Health Plan on June 29 and strongly encouraged people to review the presentation that can be found at their website that provides detailed information about the status and components of the CalAIM program. She noted that Gold Coast is beginning a process to engage members of the community as they begin to build the programs and services under the CalAIM program and encouraged those interested in being a part of Gold Coast's community engagement process or their advisory committee to contact Gold Coast Health Plan. Website: ( <a href="https://www.goldcoasthealthplan.org/">https://www.goldcoasthealthplan.org/</a> )		

<p><b>IX.</b></p>	<p><b>Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH) Updates</b></p> <p>A. Adult Services Operations – Dr. John Schipper</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ CalAIM training has been developed by the California Mental Health Services Authority (CalMHSA) for all VCBH line staff that provides a general introduction, philosophy, and overview of the program.</li> <li>▪ VCBH’s Peer Workgroup is underway gathering staff and stakeholder input with a focus on operational issues related to the onboarding/utilization of Peer Specialists.</li> <li>▪ The refinement and expansion of the clinic-based full-service partnership program (FSP), facilitated by the positions recently approved by the Board of Supervisors is underway.</li> <li>▪ Broad-scale training for new Clinic Administrators is being launched to both training and support frontline managers in these challenging positions.</li> </ul> <p>Susan White Wood provided a housing update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ VCBH, in partnership with two affordable housing developers, applied for Round 3 of No Place Like Home Funding and received two awards. One award for the Homeless Solutions Center project located at 2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; “B” in Oxnard and expected completion in 2024 and the other award for the Rancho Sierra Senior Apartments located off Lewis Road in unincorporated Camarillo and expected completion at the end of 2023.</li> <li>▪ Two future projects were awarded Round 4 funding.</li> </ul> <p>Ms. Heitmann requested funding stream information for the projects. Susan White Wood will obtain and provide this information to Ms. Heitman. Dr. Schipper also spoke to consideration being given to the development of a specialized housing team within VCBH. Ms. Warren noted the impact that Peer Support Specialist have on clients when assisting them with obtaining and staying in supportive housing.</p> <p>B. Substance Use Services – Jessica Davis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Announced that Khepera House was awarded the contract from the Request for Proposal (RFP) for recovery housing. Details are being addressed to begin providing services for the eight available beds in or around October 2022.</li> <li>▪ The new screening tool for clients requesting services that was launched on July 1. It is aimed at reducing the length of the assessment and eliminating duplicative questions and has received positive feedback.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>X.</b></p>	<p><b>Updates and Discussion</b></p> <p>A. CARE Court Proposal Update</p> <p>Ms. Borcard reported from her review of the news that the Community Assistance, Recovery and Empowerment (CARE) Court proposal appears to be moving forward. She noted that newspaper articles are being watched and there continues to be a lot of ambiguity around infrastructure and workforce requirements if the program is approved.</p> <p>B. Peers Working on Mobile Crisis Team</p> <p>Scott Walker reported he attended a Crisis Intervention Team International Conference in Phoenix where the benefits of including peers on the mobile crisis team were noted. Discussion ensued regarding the role of peers on the Mobile Crisis Team and the specific training that would be required to serve in this role.</p>		
<p><b>XI.</b></p>	<p><b>Contracts Review – April/May 2022</b></p> <p>Ms. Borcard inquired about low completion rates referenced in a couple of contracts servicing adults and youth in adult residential treatment. Jessica Davis responded that completion rates on substance use are generally low due to clients leaving programs on their own accord who no longer wish to continue.</p>		
<p><b>XII.</b></p>	<p><b>Items for Next Meeting Agenda</b></p> <p>Scott Walker suggested a presentation on the new “988” mental health support number effective July 16. Mr. Rodriguez asked whether this presentation might be available for either the July or August BHAB General meeting.</p>		
<p><b>XIII.</b></p>	<p><b>Adjourn</b></p> <p>The meeting adjourned at 11:33 AM.</p>		

**Ventura County Behavioral Health**  
**Board Letter Summary of Contracts for April 2022**

Board Date	Contractor	Amount	Term	Description
4/26/2022	Advocates for Human Potential, Inc. (AHP)	\$633,390	September 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025	<b>Subcontract Agreement with AHP for Crisis Care Mobile Unit (CCMU) Program Grant Funding.</b> California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) utilized \$150 million in funding received from the State's Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) and \$55 million received from the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) to solicit applications for funding to support and expand behavioral health mobile crisis and non-crisis services. On December 14, 2021, the Board approved Ventura County Behavioral Health's (VCBH) submission of a CCMU Grant Program application to the DHCS for funds to support and expand behavioral health mobile crisis and non-crisis services. VCBH originally requested and received authorization to accept the grant funding and execute an agreement with DHCS. DHCS has contracted with AHP to serve as the administrative entity that manages the grant funding and engages in subcontract agreements with the various grantees, including VCBH. Due to this arrangement, VCBH is now seeking approval to accept the grant funding from and sign an agreement with AHP instead of DHCS. This agreement is funded with Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP), Coronavirus Response and Relief Appropriations Act (CRRSAA), Short-Doyle Medi-Cal (SD/MC) Federal Financial Participation (FFP), and Proposition 63 Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) funds.
4/26/2022	Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)	\$129,586	July 1, 2022 through March 31, 2024	<b>Pilot Program to Provide Contingency Management (CM) Services for Medi-Cal Beneficiaries with Stimulant Use Disorder (StimUD); Behavioral Health Quality Improvement Program (BH-QIP) Start-up Funding from DHCS.</b> On January 3, 2022, DHCS released a Request for Applications for counties to participate, oversee, and manage the administration of a pilot program to provide CM services for Medi-Cal beneficiaries who reside in the county and who meet state and federal requirements. On February 10, 2022, VCBH submitted an application to participate in the pilot program. On March 1, 2022, VCBH received approval from DHCS to participate in Phase 1 of the CM services pilot program. DHCS is piloting Medi-Cal coverage of CM to expand access to individuals with StimUD. CM is an evidence-based practice that recognizes and reinforces individual positive behavior change by providing motivational incentives for non-use of stimulants, as evidenced by negative drug tests. CM repeatedly has demonstrated robust outcomes, including reduction or cessation of drug use for individuals with StimUD and longer retention in treatment. CM supports DHCS' goals by addressing the ongoing and shifting SUD crisis in California and improving the health and wellbeing of Medi-Cal beneficiaries diagnosed with StimUD. The VCBH CM pilot program application identified six certified DMC-ODS County clinics and one contracted provider, Dennis M. Giroux & Associates, Inc. (Alternative Action Program), to participate in the pilot program. The six County clinics include: (1) Fillmore, (2) Oxnard, (3) Simi Valley, (4) Thousand Oaks, (5) Ventura and (6) A New Start for Moms (ANSFM). DHCS has allotted \$5,638,000 in BH-QIP funding for CM pilot counties for start-up costs of which VCBH will receive \$129,586. Of the allotted funds, counties are to retain up to 15% for administrative costs and the remainder is to be used among County clinics and providers to cover start-up costs to: (1) orient and train a CM coordinator, (2) complete staff recruitment and hiring costs, (3) make changes to provider information and billing systems, (4) address technology costs such as hard-ware or software, and (5) purchase other supplies or equipment needed to carry out CM. The term of the CM pilot program is July 1, 2022 through March 31, 2024. Start-up funds are required as activities described above are to occur in advance of the term of the pilot program. VCBH is also adding the following six (6) new regular full time equivalent (FTE) position allocations: (1) five (5) Community Services Worker (CSW) III FTE positions and (2) one (1) Program Administrator III FTE position. New CSW III positions will be the main point of contact for all CM program participants at each site collecting samples, inputting test results into the secure CM database, and referring participants to treatment and recovery services. One CSW III is required at each of the larger treatment sites (Oxnard, Simi Valley, Ventura, ANSFM) and a CSW III position will be shared at the two smaller treatment sites (Fillmore/Thousand Oaks). The new Program Administrator III position will plan, organize and direct the activities of the team assigned to the contingency management pilot and the implementation of peer services. This includes providing clinical support and oversight to ensure the beneficiaries are accessing necessary services efficiently and within the parameters of the pilot and overall Substance Use Treatment Services system. These positions are regular positions that will be funded by Drug Medi-Cal and 2011 Realignment funds.
4/26/2022	Dennis M. Giroux & Associates, Inc. (DMG)	\$855,845	July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022	<b>Sixth Amendment to the Agreement for Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Substance Use Disorder Services (SUD) with DMG.</b> DMG provides outpatient DMC-ODS SUD treatment services to adults involved in the criminal justice system at various locations in Ventura County, including Oxnard, Ventura, and the Todd Road County Jail. The Sixth Amendment to the Agreement with DMG for the provision of DMC-ODS SUD services is being increased by \$15,735 for start-up costs to carry out CM services. This agreement is funded by State DHCS BH-QIP funds and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Block Grant funds.
4/26/2022	Crestwood Behavioral Health, Inc.	\$300,000	July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022	<b>First Amendment to the Agreement for Mental Health Rehabilitation Center Services with Crestwood Behavioral Health, Inc.</b> Crestwood Behavioral Health, Inc. (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 Bakersfield MHRC 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. Throughout FY 2020-21 and FY 2021-22, Crestwood served two (2) unduplicated clients and maintained an average of two (2) clients per month. In January 2022, VCBH referred an additional client who requires a higher level of care and further necessitating an increased budget. The First Amendment to the Agreement with Crestwood Behavioral Health, Inc. increases the maximum amount of the agreement by \$73,824, from \$226,176 to \$300,000, due to an increase in the number of clients served and to ensure sufficient funding for clients placed through June 30, 2022. The increase funds an average of 3 clients, which represents an increase of one (1) client from the initial estimate of two (2) clients and an increased level of care. There are no rate changes. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement and Realignment.
4/26/2022	ASC Treatment Group (ASC Bakersfield)	\$1,079,539	July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022;	<b>Fourth Amendment to the Agreement for Adult Residential Treatment Services with ASC Bakersfield.</b> ASC Bakersfield provides adult residential treatment services. This facility 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. Throughout FY 2021-22, ASC Bakersfield served 11 unduplicated clients. The Fourth Amendment to the Agreement with ASC Bakersfield increases the maximum amount of the agreement with ASC Bakersfield by \$114,489, from \$965,050 to \$1,079,539, due to a 5% salary increase across ASC Bakersfield staff and an increase in ASC Bakersfield accounting expenses required for developing cost reports, budget analyses, and supporting mandatory audits throughout FY 2021-22. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP, County Funds, and Realignment.

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4/26/2022	Aurora Vista Del Mar, LLC (Vista Del Mar)	\$2,000,000	July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022	<b>Eighth Amendment to the Agreement for Psychiatric Inpatient Hospital Services with Vista Del Mar.</b> Vista Del Mar, located in Ventura, is an acute psychiatric inpatient hospital for adults and adolescents. VCBH has contracted with Vista Del Mar since 1997 to provide psychiatric inpatient hospital services to Medi-Cal eligible adults and uninsured adults and adolescents. To date, Vista Del Mar has provided a total of 2,350 bed days. Due to an increase in bed utilization from Ventura County patients, VCBH has projected that Vista Del Mar would exceed the maximum amount of their agreement. The Eighth Amendment to the Agreement with Vista Del Mar increases the maximum amount by \$360,000, from \$1,640,000 to \$2,000,000, to ensure funding is available to meet the increase in psychiatric inpatient hospital services through June 30, 2022. There are no rate changes. This agreement is funded with County Funds and Realignment.
4/26/2022	Evalcorp	\$164,031	July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022	<b>Third Amendment to the Agreement for Data Collection and Analysis Services with Evalcorp.</b> Evalcorp provides MHPSA data collection and analysis services for VCBH. During FY 2021-22, Evalcorp has worked in collaboration with VCBH to enhance evaluation infrastructure and evaluation capacity, refine data collection tools, create new evaluation tools, conduct required data entry for providers as needed in order to inform evaluation reports, create data analysis plans and conduct requisite univariate and multivariate statistical analysis, develop the FY 2020-21 Evaluation Summary Report, provide evaluation support, consultation, and analysis for Community Services Support Programs, provide data collection related to support and consultation for the Community Program Planning Process (CPPP), and provide data analysis, reports, and presentations for MHPSA Innovation programs. The Third Amendment to the Agreement revises the: (1) scope of work for the Prevention & Early Intervention and Community Services and Support Assessment and Evaluation services, specified in Exhibit "A-1" of the Agreement, to add new VCBH MHPSA Annual Update Report review and editing services and (2) Exhibit "B-1" budget to include \$24,541 in additional funding for the new services specified in Exhibit "A-1." The Exhibit "B-1" budget will increase from \$94,500 to \$119,041, effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. There is no change to the services and budget specified in Exhibits "A-2" and "B-2." This agreement is funded with MHPSA funds.
4/26/2022	Ventura County Community College District (VCCCD)	\$0	May 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024	<b>Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with VCCCD to Establish a Cooperative Relationship in Support of the Psychological Health and Emotional Stability of VCCCD Students.</b> Through this MOU, VCCCD and VCBH will be collaborating to offer efficient and effective transitional psychological and psychiatric services to VCCCD students beyond those that VCCCD can provide in the short-term model practiced at VCCCD's Student Health Centers. The MOU with VCCCD: (1) allows VCBH to serve as the point of contact for moderate to severe mental health and substance use services for VCCCD students, (2) establishes protocols to ensure that students have continuous access to psychological, mental health, and substance use services through streamlined referrals and special workshops provided by VCBH, and (3) facilitates training for VCBH staff on contemporary trends in college mental health and related topics. This MOU is a non-financial agreement that merely memorializes the way in which VCCCD and VCBH intend to collaborate. The term of this MOU is from May 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024.
4/26/2022	Guiding Our Youth	\$875,849	May 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023	<b>Agreement for Short Term Residential Therapeutic Program Mental Health Services with Guiding Our Youth.</b> The Continuum of Care Reform (CCR), signed into law in January 2017 as AB403, sought to transform foster care in California by strengthening and elevating family-based care. As part of CCR, group homes are replaced with Short Term Residential Therapeutic Programs (STRTP) intended to serve children and youth whose challenging behaviors and significant emotional and developmental needs created barriers to placement in family-based care. The STRTP license category requires providers to obtain national accreditation, meet DHCS mental health standards, procure a contract with a County Mental Health Plan (MHP), and implement trauma-informed care. Guiding Our Youth provides an integrated program of specialized, intensive care and supervision, transition support services, specialty mental health services, trauma informed care, culturally relevant mental health treatment, and short-term, 24-hour care and supervision to children in two 6-bed facilities for a total of twelve (12) beds. This agreement is for a 14-month term (May 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023) and covers the outpatient specialty mental health services. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP and 2011 Realignment funds.
4/26/2022	For the Future, Inc.	\$234,025	July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022	<b>Fourth Amendment to the Agreement for STRTP Mental Health Services with For the Future, Inc.</b> For the Future, Inc. provides STRTP services for youth. 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 that will be offered to youth when they return from school each day through the early evening. The FY 2021-22 Fourth Amendment to the Agreement with For the Future, Inc. increases the maximum agreement amount by \$129,032 to a new not to exceed amount of \$486,929. The increase is due to: (1) increase in salaries and benefits in order to remain fully staffed and due to an increase in health benefits, (2) an increase in rental costs due to a new lease agreement, and (3) additional services/supports in order to accommodate day-to-day operations, including IT services, an increase in Quality Assurance hours, and an increase in hours to support billing and financial consulting. This agreement is funded with SD/MC FFP and 2011 Realignment funds.
4/26/2022	AHP	\$1,000,000	April 1, 2022 through September 29, 2023	<b>Grant Agreement with AHP.</b> Through its Behavioral Health Workforce Development effort, DHCS made grant funding available to nonprofit and county behavioral health service providers to develop and implement in-house Mentored Internship Programs to assist in the treatment and recovery of patients with substance use disorder, mental health, or co-occurring disorders. The goal of the program is to build the behavioral health workforce in nonprofit and county-operated behavioral health settings to ensure that services are competently delivered by providers who reflect the diversity of the communities served. On February 18, 2022, VCBH submitted two grant applications: (1) one application for \$500,000 for mentored internship integrated care and outreach program services and (2) a second application for \$500,000 for mentored internship mental health outpatient specialty care services. Both applications were submitted to AHP, a private corporation that DHCS selected and contracted with to administer the grant application, award, and program processes. On March 10, 2022, DHCS and AHP notified VCBH that our grant applications and projects had been selected and were funded in the combined amount of \$1,000,000 for the eighteen-month term of April 1, 2022 through September 29, 2023. On March 15, 2022, VCBH submitted its acceptance of the grant awards to AHP. VCBH will use this grant funding to implement within the existing VCBH Internship Program an in-house mentored internship program designed to improve the quality of training and number of persons joining the behavioral health workforce. Specifically, this program will include and/or involve: (1) training mentors in clinical supervision, (2) creating structured protocols to support future capacity, (3) introducing the Community Services Coordinator intern position, (4) launching a structured Competence-Based Supervision model, (5) teaching core competencies, and (6) establishing a standardized clinical experience and curriculum that will create structured supervision, training, and career preparation that is uniformly practiced for all students. Funding also supports strengthening collaborative relationships with colleges to facilitate intern recruitment, mentored internship program sustainability, and department recruitment efforts. VCBH is adding one (1) new fixed term full time equivalent Program Administrator III position allocation. This position completes the following mentored internship program grant funded duties: development of grant management protocols, including establishing grant data; performance measures; fiscal and reporting frameworks, systems and timelines; adapting existing memoranda of understanding with colleges and universities to update partnership activities and develop objectives and outcomes; monitor progress to objectives; and draft and prepare progress reports. This agreement and services are funded with MHPSA and SAMHSA funds.

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**Board Letter Summary of Contracts for May 2022**

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5/24/2022	Various Ventura County School Districts	\$0	July 1, 2022 through March 31, 2024	<b>Memorandum of Agreement Template Between Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH) and Various School Districts for Educational Support Services.</b> Under each MOA, VCBH and School District staff work collaboratively to deliver a parent educational series on mental health issues twice per academic year. The primary goal is to reduce barriers to identification and treatment of mental illness. Additionally, the program seeks to provide more access to mental health services. The collaboration benefits and serves children and their families throughout the various school districts that VCBH will engage in an MOU. There are no additional costs or fiscal impacts to the County.
5/24/2022	Amada Enterprises Inc. (View Heights)	\$2,873,000	July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023	<b>FY 2022-23 View Heights – 5th Amendment.</b> View Heights provides 24-hour Institution for Mental Disease (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. Throughout FY 2021-22, Amada Enterprises served 23 unduplicated clients and maintained an average of over 17 clients per month increasing from 14 clients to a current count of 20 clients. The FY 2022-23 fifth amendment to the agreement with Amada Enterprises is for a one-year term (July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023) and represents an increase in the maximum contract amount due to a 3% increase in services rates (Tier 1 from \$220.00 to \$226.60/day, Tier 2 \$347.00 to \$357.41/day, Tier 3 \$380.00 to \$391.40/day, Tier 4 \$415.00 to \$427.45, 1:1 \$30.00 to \$30.90/hour, Ancillary \$203.77 to \$209.88/day, and Bed Hold \$198.24 to \$204.19/day), an increase in the number of clients that will be served, and necessary contract updates. Through the fifth amendment to the agreement with View Heights, an average of 22 clients can be supported throughout FY 2022-23. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment (Trust N520-719C); 1991 Realignment (Trust N510-717C); and other County Resources.
5/24/2022	Crestwood Behavioral Health, Inc. (Crestwood - Bridge)	\$300,000	July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023	<b>FY 2022-23 Crestwood - Bridge – 1st Amendment.</b> Crestwood - Bridge provides 24-hour adult residential facility services for adults who have been diagnosed with a severe mental illness. Crestwood -Bridge provides clients discharged/diverted from various IMDs/facilities with a supervised supportive community-based living environment where they can learn the skills necessary to develop more independence and to function in the community, with the goal of being able to live in a less restrictive environment upon discharge from the program. Throughout FY 2021-22, Crestwood -Bridge served three (3) unduplicated clients and maintained an average of above (1) client per month. The FY 2022-23 first amendment to the agreement with Crestwood is for a one-year term and represents an increase in the day rate (from \$209 to \$230/day) and necessary contract updates. Through the first amendment to the agreement with Crestwood, an average of three (3.5) clients can be supported throughout FY 2022-23. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment (Trust N520-719C); 1991 Realignment (Trust N510-717C); and other County Resources.
5/24/2022	Vista Woods Health Associates, LLC. (Vista Woods)	687,000	July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023	<b>FY 2022-23 Vista Woods – 5th Amendment.</b> Vista Woods provides 24-hour Skilled Nursing Facility (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. Throughout FY 2021-22, Vista Woods served seven (7) unduplicated clients and maintained an average of approximately seven (7) clients per month. The FY 2022-23 fifth amendment to the agreement with Vista Woods is for a one-year term and represents an increase in both the day rate (from \$157 to \$170) and the "bed hold" service rate (from \$300 to \$322.94), an increase in the number of clients served, and necessary contract updates. Through the fifth amendment to the agreement with Vista Woods, an average of 11 clients can be supported throughout FY 2022-23. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment (Trust N520-719C); 1991 Realignment (Trust N510-717C); and other County Resources.
5/24/2022	Aurora Vista Del Mar, LLC	\$1,890,000	July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023	<b>FY 2022-23 Aurora Vista Del Mar, LLC Agreement.</b> Aurora Vista Del Mar, LLC provides acute psychiatric inpatient hospital services to Medi-Cal eligible adults and uninsured adults and adolescents. Throughout FY 2021-22, Vista Del Mar has serviced 2,631 inpatient hospital days. The FY 2022-23 agreement with Vista Del Mar is for a one-year term and represents an increase of \$100 to the rate of \$1,025 per day for uninsured/indigent adolescent beneficiaries (ages 12-17) and an increase of \$100 to the rate of \$1,000 per day for adult beneficiaries (ages 18+ for uninsured/indigent, ages 21-64 for Medi-Cal beneficiaries). The FY 2022-23 maximum contract amount of \$1,890,000 was based on FY 2021-22 utilization/projection at the time the FY 2022-23 budget was completed. Utilization increased shortly thereafter and VCBH increased the FY 2021-22 contract to \$2,000,000 to ensure sufficient funding through fiscal year end. VCBH will monitor FY 2022-23 utilization and will increase the maximum contract amount during the mid-year projection, as needed, based on service utilization. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment (Trust N520-719C); 1991 Realignment (Trust N510-717C); and other County Resources.
5/24/2022	California Psychiatric Transitions, Inc. (CPT)	\$412,000	July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023	<b>FY 2022-23 CPT – 1st Amendment.</b> CPT is a locked Mental Health Rehabilitation Center that includes a Disruptive Behavioral Unit (DBU) that VCBH utilizes for court-ordered locked restoration of competence services as well as VCBH clients who require a high level of services in a controlled environment. For VCBH clients, the goal is to stabilize and improve behavior to transition clients to a lower and less restrictive level of care. CPT has successfully stabilized and transition several clients who have either moved to a lower level of care at CPT or with the County. Throughout FY 2021-22, CPT served one (1) unduplicated client and maintained an average of approximately one (1) client per month. The FY 2022-23 first amendment to the agreement with CPT is for a one-year term and represents an increase in rates (MHRC from \$435 to \$460/day, DBU from \$885 to \$910/day, Diversion from \$610 to \$660/day, and 1-1 from \$50 to \$52/hour), and necessary contract updates. Although there is an increase in rates, the contract max is reduced based on familiarity with rate usage. Through the first amendment to the agreement with CPT, an average of two (2) clients can be supported throughout FY 2022-23. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment (Trust N520-719C); 1991 Realignment (Trust N510-717C); and other County Resources.
5/24/2022	Crestwood Behavioral Health, Inc. (Crestwood - Bakersfield)	\$504,000	July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023	<b>FY 2022-23 Crestwood Bakersfield – 2nd Amendment.</b> 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 Mental Health and Rehabilitation Center 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. Throughout FY 2021-22, Crestwood served three (3) unduplicated clients and maintained an average of approximately two (2) clients per month. The FY 2022-23 first amendment to the agreement with Crestwood is for a one-year term and represents an increase in rates (Level 3 from \$304 to \$319/day, Level 2 from \$337 to \$354/day, Level 1 from \$370 to \$389/day, 1:1 from \$696 to \$720/day, establishing a MIST rate of \$450/day), and making necessary contract updates. Through the first amendment to the agreement with Crestwood, an average of three (3) clients can be supported throughout FY 2022-23. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment (Trust N520-719C); 1991 Realignment (Trust N510-717C); and other County Resources.

5/24/2022	Parkside Healthcare, Inc. (Parkside)	\$1,371,000	July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023	<b>FY 2022-23 Parkside – 2nd Amendment.</b> Parkside provides 24-hour Skilled Nursing Facility (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 in El Cajon receive the following services: (1) medication management, (2) care and supervision, (3) daily activities, and (4) food services. Throughout FY 2022-23, Parkside served 23 unduplicated clients and maintained an average of approximately 15 clients per month and their estimated average client count increased from 14 to 22 and their maximum increased by \$234,330. The FY 2022-23 second amendment to the agreement with Parkside for SNF and Mental Health Recovery Center services is for a one-year term and represents an increase in rates (Medi-Cal from \$155 to \$170/day, non-Medi-Cal from \$390 to \$405/day, "Bed Hold" from \$380 to \$395/day), and making necessary contract updates. Through the second amendment to the agreement with Parkside, an average of 22 clients can be supported throughout FY 2022-23. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment (Trust N520-719C); 1991 Realignment (Trust N510-717C); and other County Resources.
5/24/2022	Sylmar Health & Rehabilitation Center, Inc. (SHRC)	\$1,794,000	July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023	<b>FY 2022-23 SHRC – 2nd Amendment.</b> SHRC is an IMD to facilitate 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)). Throughout FY 2021-22, SHRC served 14 unduplicated clients and maintained an average of approximately 12.5 clients per month. The FY 2022-23 agreement with SHRC is for a one-year term and represents a 3% increase in rates (Base Rate from \$203.69 to \$209.80/day, Psychiatric Services \$4.00 to \$4.12/day, Level B Services \$99.00 to \$101.97/day, Specialty Care \$92.26 to \$95.03/day, 1:1 Client Supervision \$50.00 to \$51.50/day, Ancillary Services \$60.00 to \$61.80/day, and Bed Hold remains \$195.34). Through the second amendment to the agreement with SHRC, an average of 16 clients can be supported throughout FY 2022-23. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment (Trust N520-719C); 1991 Realignment (Trust N510-717C); and other County Resources.
5/24/2022	Telecare Corporation (Telecare)	\$600,000	July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022;	<b>FY 2022-23 Telecare La Paz – 1st Amendment.</b> Telecare 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 in Paramount receive the following services: (1) medication management, (2) care and supervision, (3) daily activities, and (4) food services. Throughout FY 2021-22, Telecare served six (6) unduplicated clients and maintained an average of approximately five (5) clients per month. The FY 2022-23 first amendment to the agreement with Telecare is for a one-year term and represents a 4% increase in rates (Medi-Cal Enhanced from \$154.40 to \$160.58/day, Non-Medi-Cal \$196.66 to \$204.53, 1:1 \$39.14 to \$40.71/hour, Bed Hold \$335.76 to \$365.11/day), and making necessary contract updates. Although there is an increase in rates, the contract max is reduced based on familiarity with rate usage. Through the first amendment to the agreement with Telecare, an average of nine (9) clients can be supported through FY 2022-23. This agreement is funded with Tobacco Settlement; 2011 Realignment (Trust N520-719C); 1991 Realignment (Trust N510-717C); and other County Resources.
5/24/2022	Ventura County Office of Education (VCOE)	\$2,000,000	April 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022	<b>Agreement for Wellness Centers Services with the VCOE.</b> VCOE provides Wellness Center services for VCBH. The FY 2021-22 Agreement with VCOE, will allow VCOE to create a Wellness Centers program in partnership with various junior high schools throughout Ventura County. This expansion in service allows for the provision of an array of services to combat the mental health challenges that young children encounter in junior high schools. The \$2,000,000 in funding that will be provided to VCOE in FY 2021-22 will: (1) allow seven (7) new Wellness Centers to operate full-time hours within various schools within the area, (2) allow for additional staffing to support needs within the Wellness Centers, (3) allow VCOE to put additional funding behind community outreach via meeting and outreach activities, and (4) better equip the Wellness Centers with activities, furniture, and other needed materials to create a more accessible and comfortable environment for children to discuss their mental health needs. This contract is funded with Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) funding.
5/24/2022	Turning Point Foundation	\$291,612	July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023	<b>FY 2022-23 Turning Point Foundation – Fourth Amendment.</b> Turning Point Foundation–Rapid Integration Support and Engagement (RISE) Program provides outreach and engagement services in order to address needs within the county to educate, support and mitigate the effect of mental illness for individuals who may be in crisis. Turning Point Foundation RISE staff are trained and encouraged to incorporate their lived experience in order to develop strategies and engage individuals in services who may be hesitant to engage in service activities. For Fiscal Year 2021-22, the RISE program provided 1,219 units of service to RISE clients. The FY 2022-23 fourth amendment to the agreement with Turning Point Foundation is for a one-year term and represents an increase in the maximum contract amount of \$51,676 due to the rising costs in living expenses and in order for the provider to offer competitive wages to keep staff on board. This Agreement is funded with MHSA funding.
5/24/2022	Turning Point Foundation	\$887,749	July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023	<b>FY 2022-23 Turning Point – Third Amendment.</b> Turning Point Foundation operates Adult Wellness and Rehabilitation Centers (AWRC) in Oxnard, COVID-19 Vulnerable Persons Project locations, additional mutually agreed upon service provision locations within Ventura County, and through online service methods. The AWRC programs focus on outreach to and engagement with individuals with serious and persistent mental illness who have been unserved or underserved by the traditional mental health system. The AWRC's use group and 1:1 interaction, engage clients in various programs, and serve as portals to other mental health, medical, dental, housing, and employment services. As an extension of the on-site wellness centers, Turning Point also provides mobile wellness center services. The mobile wellness services provide Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP) and recovery groups and socialization opportunities at board and cares, assisted living facilities, and VCBH clinics. The staff also serve as a bridge for participants who may need accompaniment support to step down from a higher level of treatment or who might not be comfortable participating in clinical treatment. For FY 2021-22, the Wellness Centers service 452 individuals, (2) assisted 51 individuals with Wellness and Recovery Action Plan (WRAP) to address their mental health needs, and (3) worked with 235 individuals from several local board and care facilities to access socialization and wellness activities. The FY 2022-23 Third Amendment to the Agreement with Turning Point Foundation is for a one-year term with an \$18,853 increase to the maximum contract amount from the prior fiscal year due to the rising costs in living expenses and in order for the provider to offer competitive wages to keep staff on board. This Agreement is fully funded with MHSA funding.
5/24/2022	Pacific Clinics	\$1,772,400	July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025.	<b>FY 2022-25 Pacific Clinics – Agreement.</b> Pacific Clinics provides "TAY-Tunnel" program services where they work to empower individuals to take an active role in creating a positive lifestyle change within a supporting, safe, and understanding environment. Bilingual staff, with lived experience, engage TAY in designing achievement plans and Wellness and Recovery Action Plans (WRAPs), they aid in employment services, health navigation, and linkages to community resources. In Fiscal Year 2021-22 the provider worked with 75 individuals, which resulted in several receiving housing opportunities and 14 acquiring active employment. The FY 2022-25 Agreement with Pacific Clinics is for a three-year term (July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025) though the year-to-year total (\$590,800) will not be increasing, the contract itself has an overall increase since it will now cover three (3) fiscal years and not one (1) on in previous contract cycles. The change to a 3-year contract cycle will allow the provider to more immediately acquire needed resources in order to support needs within the program, such as, renting space to conduct program activities. There is no increase in the contract amount when comparing the FY 2021-22 maximum contract amount to each FY maximum contract amount. This Agreement is fully funded with MHSA funding.

5/24/2022	Clinicas Del Camino Real, Inc. (Clinicas)	\$340,000	July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023	<b>FY 2022-23 Clinicas – Second Amendment.</b> Clinicas provides primary care services through the Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) component of the MHSA. Clinicas services will focus on the early intervention side of the continuum of mental health services. The target population for the primary care services is individuals ages 12 and over who are patients of Clinicas' primary health care clinics. These are individuals at risk of or with emerging mental health issues who may exhibit early signs of depression, anxiety, post-traumatic stress disorder or a history of trauma. In FY 2020-21, Clinicas provided early intervention mental health care services to approximately 446 unduplicated individuals. Upon discharge, clients surveyed showed, on average, a 9-point decrease in symptoms of depression and a 7 -point decrease in average participant anxiety severity. The FY 2022-23 Second Amendment to the Agreement with Clinicas is for a one-year term with an increase in the maximum contract amount in order to ensure adequate funding throughout the year. Typically, near the end of the Fiscal Year, the provider has had to turn patients away since they no longer have the funding to support the service. The additional funding will minimize/eliminate that issue. This Agreement is fully funded with MHSA funding.
5/24/2022	All Languages Interpreting and Translating, Inc. (ALIT)	\$165,000	July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023	<b>FY 2022-23 ALIT – Fourth Amendment.</b> ALIT provides interpretation and translation services for VCBH in clinics, meetings, and community behavioral health forums. The use of interpreter services in clinics is critical to successful client outcomes because it helps to ensure that clients understand their treatment plan and how to safely administer medication. The use of interpreter services for meeting and community forums is critical for ensuring that the department can appropriately communicate to the public about the services that are available through VCBH and solicit public feedback on department initiatives. For FY 2021-22, services were primarily conducted via telephone due to the COVID 19 pandemic and ALIT provide 1,133 billable hours of service. In response to increased labor costs, and in order to continue to provide services as needed, the provider's rate for in-person Spanish interpreting services has increased from \$50 to \$60 dollars per hour. This Agreement is fully funded with MHSA funding.
5/24/2022	VCOE	\$6,102,981	July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025.	<b>FY 2022-25 VCOE – Agreement.</b> VCOE provides education and training for school personnel and students and family outreach and engagement to reduce stigma and discrimination about mental illness throughout Ventura County. Through VCOE's partnership with the Local Educational Agencies (LEA), mental health screenings, referrals, and mental health services for at-risk students are provided. VCOE contracted school districts also provide education and training for school personnel and students and family outreach and engagement to reduce stigma and discrimination about mental illness. In Fiscal Year 2021-22, approximately 306,610 individuals received core services, and approximately 22,558 individuals were referred to mental health care and/or social support services. The FY 2022-25 Agreement with VCOE is for a three-year term and represents an increase of \$4,087,782 to the maximum contract amount from the prior fiscal year due to increased in-person services being provided, additional funding being allocated for staff training and hiring, the creation of "wellness rooms", development of Student Assistance Program, development of intentional and targeted counseling programs in order to better tackle campus and district wide issues, and to address the rising costs in living expenses. This Agreement is fully funded with MHSA funding.