



AGENDA STAFF REPORT

Control: 26001070

MEETING DATE: 04/28/2026

LEGAL ENTITY TAKING ACTION: Board of Supervisors

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DISTRICT(S): District 2

SUBMITTING AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: Health Care Agency

DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSON(S): Veronica Kelley, 714-834-7024
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SUBJECT: Renewal Early Identification of Youth at Clinical High Risk Psychosis Services

CEO CONCUR Concur	COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW Approve agreement to form	CLERK OF THE BOARD DISCUSSION 3 Votes Board Majority
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Budgeted: N/A	Current Year Cost: N/A	Annual Cost: FY 2026-27 \$1,300,000
Staffing Impact: No	Funding Source: State: Behavioral Health Services Act: 100%	Sole Source: No
Current Fiscal Year Revenue: N/A		County Audit in Last 3 years: No
Levine Act Review Completed? Yes		
Prior Board Action: 5/7/2024 #13		

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

1. Approve Amendment No. 4 to renew the Contract with Charitable Ventures of Orange County for provision of Early Identification of Youth at Clinical High Risk for Psychosis, for the term of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, in an amount not to exceed \$1,300,000, for a revised cumulative contract amount not to exceed \$3,900,000, renewable for two additional one-year terms.
2. Authorize the County Procurement Officer or Deputized designee to execute Amendment No. 4 to the Contract, as referenced in the Recommended Action.

SUMMARY:

Approval of Amendment No. 4 to renew the Contract with Charitable Ventures of Orange County will provide continued support for the effective identification of youth ages 12 to 25 in Orange County who are at an increased clinical risk for developing psychosis spectrum disorders.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On May 7, 2024, your Honorable Board of Supervisors (Board) approved the Contract for the provision of Early

Identification of Youth at Clinical High Risk for Psychosis (CHR-P) with Charitable Ventures of Orange County (CV). The Orange County Preference Policy is not applicable to this Amendment. The below additional actions related to the Contract were executed pursuant to appropriate authorities.

Table 1: Prior Actions related to the Contract

Board Date	Contract / Amendment	Term	Amount	Action
May 7, 2024	Contract	July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2026	\$ 2,600,000	Board Approved Contract
N/A	Amendment No. 1 Amendment No. 2 Amendment No. 3	September 1, 2024 – June 30, 2026 August 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026 October 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026	N/A	Deputy Purchasing Agent (DPA) Delegated Authority Administrative Revisions; Amended Exhibit A

Scope of Services

In March 2024, California voters approved Proposition 1, which established the Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) which modernized the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) to better address current behavioral health system needs. BHSA prioritizes Early Intervention (EI) services that identify and address emerging mental health conditions among individuals showing early signs or risk factors for serious mental illness.

CV provides Clinical High Risk for Psychosis (CHR-P) screening, assessment, and referral services through the Thrive Together Orange County (TTOC) program for youth and young adults ages 12 through 25. Services support early identification of individuals at risk for psychosis along with a referral to the appropriate behavioral health treatment throughout Orange County.

CV conducts structured mental health screenings and clinical assessments and links individuals and families to appropriate services, including specialty mental health treatment, Coordinated Specialty Care (CSC) programs, and other behavioral health supports and resources.

CV also provides targeted outreach, education, and training to educators, healthcare providers, community-based organizations, and families to increase awareness of early signs of psychosis and improve referral pathways. Beginning in Fiscal Year (FY) 2026–27, outreach efforts will focus on activities that support clinical referral pathways and priority populations identified in the County’s Behavioral Health Integrated Plan.

Contractor will administer surveys at the conclusion of trainings to measure increases in participant knowledge related to identifying youth at CHR-P and appropriate referral for screening and services.

Table 2: TTOC Trainings Outcomes:

Performance Outcomes	Outcome Goals	Achieved Outcomes *	Outcome Goals	Achieved Outcomes *	Outcome Goals**
	FY 2024-25	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	July 2025 – Jan 2026	FY 2026-27
Percent of attendees will report an increase in ability to recognize youth who are at an increased risk for developing symptoms of early psychosis spectrum disorders or may currently be experiencing symptoms.	85%	98%	85%	98%	95%
Percent of attendees will report an increase in knowledge and awareness of resources for youth at CHR-P and their families.	85%	100%	85%	100%	95%
Percent of attendees from healthcare providers, law enforcement, schools, and other community supports will report an increase in ability to provide appropriate behavioral health support of youth at CHR-P.	80%	98%	80%	99%	95%
Percent of attendees will report an increase in knowledge of when and how to refer youth for screening and/or treatment.	85%	100%	85%	100%	95%

*210 surveys were completed in FY 2024-25, and 278 in FY 2025-26 (July-Jan) across the various categories.

** Outcome goals for FY 2026-27 are lower than FY 2024-25 achieved outcomes due to the exceptionally high performance realized in FY 2024-25.

Additional outcomes were added for FY 2026-27 that directly align with BHSA to reduce the duration of untreated psychosis through early detection and expedited referral pathways.

Table 3: Timeliness of Access

Percent of individuals referred to program will have an intake appointment for clinical screening within 7 business days of referral.	80%
Percent of individuals screened and in need of a full assessment will have one begun within 10 business days of the initial screening.	80%
Percentage of referred youth who complete a CHR-P assessment.	90%
Percentage of youth identified as CHR-P who are successfully linked to appropriate specialty behavioral health services within established	80%

access standards.	
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HCA negotiated annual performance goals to ensure the impact of the program on participants. During FY 2024-25, the program did not meet two performance goals, brief assessments and provider consultations. These goals were impacted by fewer referrals meeting criteria and a high no-show rate for scheduled intake appointments. In response, the program focused on strengthening relationships with community partners to increase appropriate referrals, improve client follow-through, and provider buy-in of consultation, care coordination support, and resource navigation which is reflected in the FY 2026-27 goals below.

Table 4: Proposed and Achieved Annual Performance Goals

Service Type	Proposed Performance Goals	Achieved Performance Goals	Proposed Performance Goals	Achieved Performance Goals	Proposed Performance Goals*
	FY 2024-25	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	July 2025 – Jan 2026	FY 2026-27
Number Completing Primary Screening	300	606	300	367	600
Number Assessments Completed	113	121	75	92	135
Number of Family Feedback Sessions	38	46	38	34	60
Number of Provider Consultations	48	45	48	48	75
Number of Trainings Provided	12	23	12	16	24
Number of Referrals and Linkages	75	137	75	109	100
Number of Outreach Activities	24	194	24	80	50

*Increase in FY 2026-27 Performance Goals due to achieved goals from the past 2 prior FYs.

The Contract with CV does not include subcontractors. See Attachment B for Contract Summary Form.

The Contractor’s performance has been confirmed as satisfactory. HCA has verified that there are no concerns that must be addressed with respect to Contractor’s ownership/name, litigation status or conflicts with County interests.

HCA requests that the Board approve Amendment No. 4 to the Contract with Charitable Ventures of Orange County for the provision of Early Identification of Youth at Clinical High Risk for Psychosis, as referenced in the Recommended Actions.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Appropriations for the renewal will be included in Budget Control 042 FY 2026-27 Budget.

The proposed renewal includes provisions allowing HCA to terminate the Contract, reduce the level of services, and/or renegotiate the levels of services provided, as necessary. This includes a notice that allows HCA adequate time to transition or terminate services to clients, if necessary.

STAFFING IMPACT:

An analysis was completed to verify the contract provides County with persons specially trained, experienced, expert and competent to perform the special services in accordance with the law.

REVIEWING AGENCIES/DEPARTMENTS:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A - Amendment No. 4 to Contract MA-042-24010877

Attachment B - Contract Summary form