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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

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BY DELEGATED AUTHORITY

Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVAL TO AMEND EXISTING AFFILIATION AGREEMENTS FOR
THE QUALITY, OUTCOMES, AND TRAINING DIVISION
STUDENT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-21
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Request approval to amend the existing Affiliation Agreements with education institutions for the continued provision of student placements in County facilities for Fiscal Year 2020-21.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Approve and authorize the Director of the Department of Mental Health (Director), or his designee, to prepare, sign, and execute an amendment with twenty-one educational institutions, (see attachment), for the continued provision of student placements overseen by the Quality, Outcomes, and Training Division, Student Professional Development Program (SPDP). The amendment will be effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, with a one-year optional extension. The Affiliation Agreements for SPDP do not have any financial obligations or Maximum Contract Amounts (MCA).
2. Delegate authority to the Director, or his designee, to prepare, sign, and execute future Affiliation Agreements with other qualified educational institutions provided that: 1) any future agreements are necessary to meet SPDP program needs; and, 2) any new agreements are subject to the prior review and approval as to form by County Counsel, with written notification to the Board and Chief Executive Officer (CEO).

3. Delegate authority to the Director, or his designee, to prepare, sign, and execute future amendments to the Affiliation Agreements in Recommendations 1 and 2; revise the boilerplate language; add, delete, modify, or replace a Statement of Work; and/or reflect Federal, State, and County regulatory, program and/or policy changes, provided that the amendments are subject to prior review and approval as to form by County Counsel, with written notification to the Board and CEO.
4. Delegate authority to the Director, or his designee, to terminate Affiliation Agreements described in Recommendations 1 and 2 in accordance with the agreement's termination provisions, including Termination for Convenience. The Director, or his designee, will notify the Board and CEO, in writing, of such termination action.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Board approval of Recommendation 1 will enable the Department of Mental Health (DMH) to extend the Affiliation Agreements with twenty-one universities/professional schools, (see attachment), for one year and to place students in DMH directly operated and administrative programs. The twenty-one Affiliation Agreements expire on June 30, 2020.

Board approval of Recommendation 2 will allow DMH to execute future Affiliation Agreements with qualified universities and professional schools as needed. SPDP will vet educational institutions as a qualified partner prior to the execution of any agreement.

Board Approval of Recommendation 3 will enhance DMH's ability to amend the Affiliation Agreements in Recommendations 1 and 2 as necessary and ensure the continuation of student placements and reflect program and/or policy changes.

Board Approval of Recommendation 4 will allow DMH to terminate the Affiliation Agreements in accordance with the agreement's termination provisions, including Termination for Convenience, as necessary.

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

The recommended actions support the County's Strategic Plan Goal III, Realize Tomorrow's Government Today via Strategy III.1 – Continually Pursue Development of Our Workforce via Strategy III.1.1 Develop Staff Through High Quality Multi-Disciplinary Approaches to Training: Implement training models that envision learning and professional growth occurring over time that includes relevant departments, academia, labor, and other stakeholders.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The Affiliation Agreements have no financial obligations or MCAs. There is no net County cost.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Since 2003, DMH has participated in educational partnerships with participating universities and educational institutions in Los Angeles County through SPDP Affiliation Agreements. The goal of the program since its inception has been to collaborate with local universities and professional schools to educate and train students.

Students have an opportunity to fulfill their requirements of professional academic curriculums while being exposed to DMH's diverse array of programs and services. Students in clinical placements are trained to deliver comprehensive mental health services to DMH consumers. Students in administrative placements are trained on the different systems within a mental health program and may train in the development of new policies or procedures to increase program and cost effectiveness. They also have an opportunity to participate in a variety of clinical and non-clinical trainings and/or conferences. This multidisciplinary training and fulfillment of education requirements develops a well-trained workforce that often leads to permanent employment with the County or contract providers upon graduation.

For Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-21, SPDP plans to offer clinical or administrative placements to approximately 150 students in the following fields: nursing, occupational therapy, psychiatric technician, psychology, public administration, social work, marriage and family therapy, and vocational rehabilitation. DMH clinical and administrative staff will supervise SPDP participants in gaining knowledge and experience in delivering specialty mental health services, including the use of various Evidence-Based Practices.

DMH is in the process of developing a Request for Statements of Qualifications for universities and professional schools; however, due to COVID-19 public health related issues, DMH paused the process and decided to extend the term of the agreements until such time that DMH can resume the solicitation.

As mandated by your Board, the performance of all contractors is evaluated by DMH on an annual basis to ensure the contractors' compliance with all contract terms and performance standards.

The attachment lists the twenty-one educational institutions, and their Supervisorial Districts.

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The Amendment format has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

Board approval of the proposed actions will allow DMH to accept students from accredited universities and professional schools, thereby giving students an opportunity to receive specialized training as well as clinical and administrative experience at an array of DMH programs. In return, the students will not only deliver person-centered and recovery-oriented services to consumers in high need, but also provide administrative and application support to the department.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director

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Attachment

c: Executive Office, Board of Supervisors
Chief Executive Office
County Counsel
Chairperson, Mental Health Commission

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
STUDENT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM - AFFILIATED UNIVERSITY PARTNERS
ATTACHMENT

	AFFILIATED UNIVERSITY/SCHOOL	ADDRESS	SUPERVISOR DISTRICTS *STUDENTS WILL PROVIDE SERVICES
1	Antioch University	400 Corporate Pointe Culver City, CA 90230	All
2	Azusa Pacific University	901 E. Alostia Avenue Azusa CA 91702-7000	All
3	Biola University, Inc.	13800 Biola Avenue La Mirada, CA 90639	All
4	California School of Professional Psychology – Alliant International University	1000 South Fremont Avenue, Unit 5 Alhambra, CA 91803	All
5	California State University, Bakersfield	5001 E. Commercenter Drive, Suite 255 Bakersfield, CA 93309	All
6	California State University, Long Beach	1250 Bellflower Boulevard Long Beach, CA 90840-0902	All
7	California State University, Los Angeles	5151 State University Drive Los Angeles, CA 90032	All
8	Capella University Harold Abel School of Social and Behavioral Sciences	225 South Sixth Street Minneapolis, MN 55402	All
9	Dominican University of California	50 Acacia Avenue San Rafael, CA 94901	All
10	Frontier Nursing University	170 Prosperous Place Lexington, KY 40509	All
11	Fuller Theological Seminary, School of Psychology	135 North Oakland Avenue Pasadena, CA 91182	All
12	Loma Linda University, School of Behavioral Health	11060 Anderson Street, Magan Hall Loma Linda, CA 92350	All
13	Loyola Marymount University	1 Loyola Marymount University Drive, Suite 2518, Los Angeles, CA 90045	All
14	Mount Saint Mary's University	10 Chester Place Los Angeles, CA 90007	All
15	Pepperdine University	6100 Center Drive Los Angeles, CA 90045	All
16	Santa Monica College	1900 Pico Boulevard Santa Monica, CA 90405	All
17	The Chicago School of Professional Psychology	1145 Gayley Avenue, Suite 322 Los Angeles, CA 90024	All
18	University of California, Los Angeles - Department of Psychology	1285 Franz Hall Los Angeles, CA 90095-1563	All
19	University of California, Los Angeles Luskin School of Public Affairs – Department of Social Welfare	3250 Public Affairs Building, Box 951656 Los Angeles, CA 90095	All
20	University of La Verne	1950 Third Street La Verne, CA 91750	All
21	University of Southern California – School of Social Work	MRF 214 MC 0411 Los Angeles, CA 90089-0411	All

CONTRACT NO. MH_____

AMENDMENT NO. _____

THIS AMENDMENT is made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 2020, by and between the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (hereafter "County") and _____ (hereafter "Contractor").

WHEREAS, County and Contractor have entered into a written Contract/Agreement (whichever is applicable), dated _____, identified as County Contract/Agreement (whichever is applicable) No. MH_____, including all amendments, (hereafter collectively "Contract"/"Agreement") (whichever is applicable); and

WHEREAS, on _____, 2020, the Board of Supervisors delegated authority to the Director of Mental Health, or designee, to execute amendments to the Contract/Agreement (whichever is applicable); and

WHEREAS, said Contract/Agreement (whichever is applicable) provides that changes may be made in the form of a written amendment which is formally approved and executed by the parties; and

WHEREAS, County and Contractor intend to amend this Contract/Agreement (whichever is applicable) to extend the term of the Contract/Agreement (whichever is applicable), effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, for Contractor to continue to provide students to work at County facilities, and make other hereinafter designated changes; and

WHEREAS, for FY 2020-21 only, County and Contractor intend to amend the Contract/Agreement (whichever is applicable) only as described hereunder; and

WHEREAS, Contractor warrants that it continues to possess the competence, expertise, and personnel necessary to provide services consistent with the requirements of this Contract/Agreement (**whichever is applicable**).

NOW, THEREFORE, County and Contractor agree that this Contract/Agreement (**whichever is applicable**) shall be amended only as follows:

1. The Amendment is hereby incorporated into the original Contract/Agreement (**whichever is applicable**), and all of its terms and conditions, including capitalized terms defined therein, shall be given full force and effect as if fully set forth herein.
2. For FY 2020-21, the term of the Contract/Agreement (**whichever is applicable**) is extended effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.
3. Paragraph 4 (TERM OF CONTRACT), Subparagraph 4.1, subsections 4.1.1 and 4.1.2 are added to the Contract as follows:

“4.1.1 Renewal Period: This Contract shall be renewed for one additional period and commence on July 1, 2020, and shall continue in full force and effect through June 30, 2021.

4.1.2 First Optional Renewal Period: If this Contract is renewed after the Renewal Period, the First Optional Renewal Period shall commence on July 1, 2021, and shall continue in full force and effect through June 30, 2022.”

OR

3. Paragraph 3 (TERM), Subparagraphs (A) and (B) are added to the Agreement as follows:

“(A) Renewal Period: This Agreement shall be renewed for one additional period and commence on July 1, 2020, and shall continue in full force and effect through June 30, 2021.

(B) First Optional Renewal Period: If this Agreement is renewed after the Renewal Period, the First Optional Renewal Period shall commence on July 1, 2021, and shall continue in full force and effect through June 30, 2022.”

4. Except as provided in this Amendment, all other terms and conditions of the Contract/Agreement (whichever is applicable) shall remain in full force and effect.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has caused this Amendment to be subscribed by County's Director of Mental Health or designee, and Contractor has caused this Amendment to be subscribed on its behalf by its duly authorized officer, on the day, month, and year first above written.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By _____
JONATHAN E. SHERIN, M.D., Ph.D.
Director of Mental Health

CONTRACTOR

By _____
Name _____
Title _____
(AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL HERE)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

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Senior Associate County Counsel