

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

FACT SHEET

**APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO EXISTING
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH LEGAL ENTITY AGREEMENT WITH
THE VILLAGE FAMILY SERVICES
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3)**

REQUEST

Approve and authorize the Director of Mental Health or his designee to prepare, sign, and execute Amendment No. 2 to the existing Legal Entity (LE) Agreement No. DMH-02367 with The Village Family Services for the provision of Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) Title XIX Medi-Cal services in Fiscal Year (FY) 2005-2006 through the term of the Agreement. This Amendment increases the Maximum Contract Amount (MCA) by \$206,329, from \$825,200, to \$1,031,529, fully funded by Sales Tax Realignment funds, \$18,838; Federal Financial Participation (FFP) Medi-Cal revenue, \$103,164; and EPSDT-State General Funds (SGF), \$84,327. The Department of Mental Health (DMH) will utilize \$206,329 of existing appropriation included in its FY 2005-2006 Adopted Budget to fund the increase in the MCA of the Agreement with The Village Family Services for FY 2005-2006. This Agreement will be effective upon the date of execution through June 30, 2006.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION

Amendment No. 2, which increases The Village Family Services' MCA by \$206,329 for FY 2005-2006, exceeds delegated authority as it represents a greater than 20 percent increase in the MCA previously approved by your Board on June 21, 2005 for this Contractor.

Since the Board renewed The Village Family Services Agreement effective July 1, 2005, the Contractor has experienced a significant increase in demand for EPSDT-funded services from the North Hollywood community in Service Area 2. Board approval of this Amendment increase will enable DMH to better align the actual demand for mandated EPSDT services with the Contractor's capacity to provide and be reimbursed timely for those services.

CONTRACTOR

The Village Family Services, located at 5437 Laurel Canyon Boulevard, North Hollywood, CA 91607, in Supervisorial District 3, provides culturally and linguistically

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appropriate services to children and families in settings that meet their specific needs. This is a Provider that continually strives to expand services to address unmet needs and high demands in this Service Area. This agency is one of the few in Service Area 2 with the capacity to meet the increasing demand for bilingual Spanish-speaking services. This is reflected in their staffing pattern where more than 90 percent are Spanish speaking.

The Village Family Services is also the only agency in Service Area 2 that specializes in services to Latino Gay and Lesbian Transitional Age Youth. Without the requested expansion, a substantial number of children, adolescents, and their families who have been identified as in need of services will be adversely impacted.