

# MARIPOSA COUNTY

HHS/Behavioral Health & Recovery Services · (209) 90



### **RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2018-524**

MEETING: November 13, 2018

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Health and Human Services Director

RE: ECenter Business Associate Agreement - Whole Person Care

#### RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Approve a Business Associate Agreement (BAA) with eCenter Research Inc. to govern the exchange of Protected Health Information (PHI) in connection with a Services Agreement with the County of San Benito to act as a fiscal agent for Mariposa County Health and Human Services; and authorize the Board of Supervisors Chair to sign the Agreement.

eCenter Research Inc. has been contracted to provide third party administrative services and PHI data exchange for the Whole Person Care Small County Collaborative. Mariposa County Health and Human Services is working in collaboration with San Benito County, through a Small County Collaborative for the purpose of implementing the Whole Person Care (WPC) Pilot grant. As the fiscal agent for WPC, San Benito County will complete the Inter-Governmental Transfer (IGT) and act as main liaison for the contracting third party administrative services. The WPC Small County Collaborative has contracted with eCenter Research Inc. for third party administrative services which can include PHI data exchange. eCenter Research Inc. access to PHI data requires a separate BAA with County of Mariposa as a participating entity.

#### **BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:**

The Mariposa County Board of Supervisors approved the WPC Services Agreement with County of San Benito by Resolution No. 2017-605 on September 12, 2017.

The Board approved a similar HIPAA Business Associate Agreement (BAA) with the California Institute for Behavioral Health Solutions (CIBHS) by Resolution No. 2017-713 on October 17, 2017.

The Board approved a HIPAA Business Associate Agreement (BAA) with Heather Bernikoff by Resolution No. 2018-47 on February 16, 2018

### **ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

If this contract is not approved, the Department will not be able to efficiently implement the Whole Person Pilot grant approved by the Board.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no cost to this Business Associate Agreement. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

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ATTACHMENTS:

eCenter BAA - Wcsignature (PDF)

RESULT: ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]

**MOVER:** Marshall Long, District III Supervisor **SECONDER:** Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor **AYES:** Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Menetrey