



Board of Supervisors Memorandum

March 18, 2014

Crisis Response Center Operator Change

Introduction

The Community Partnership of Southern Arizona (CPSA) is requesting approval, pursuant to Section 8.1.2 of its Lease Agreement, to change the operator of the Crisis Response Center (CRC). CPSA proposes to transfer operation of the CRC from the current provider, the Crisis Response Network of Southern Arizona, to Connections AZ for the provision of crisis services at the CRC.

The County's lease is with CPSA; and regular evaluation of the provision of behavioral health services, including such elements as the integration of medical and behavioral health issues and the philosophy of overall access or a "no wrong door" philosophy in the operations of Pima County's one stop crisis system, will continue uninterrupted.

CPSA proposes to transfer operations to Connections AZ on April 1, 2014.

Recommendation

I recommend approval of the transfer of operations of the Crisis Response Center to Connections AZ, consistent with the existing lease provisions with the Community Partnership of Southern Arizona.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "C. Huckelberry".

C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator

CHH/mjk – March 3, 2014

c: Jan Leshner, Deputy County Administrator for Medical and Health Services