

Kittitas County Commissioners

Agenda Staff Report

AGENDA DATE:

10/6/2009

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve and sign the Interlocal Agreement for Grea

BACKGROUND:

Kittitas County, along with seven other counties, is a member of Greater Columbia Behavioral Health (GCBH), a statutorily created Regional Support Network that manages state funding for providing mental health services in our region. The RSN operates under a board of directors established by the interlocal agreement. Currently, several variations of the interlocal agreement are in place and GCBH has been instructed by the State Auditor to create and adopt 1 document for all seven counties. The negotiated document is attached and has been recommended for approval by the GCBH Board of Directors.

The most significant change from our current agreement is the requirement that all directors be County Commissioners, while alternate directors may be an appointee of the county. In addition, only directors may vote on changes in the bylaws, removal of a member county, funding formulas, or budgets. Alternate directors may not vote on these items unless they are also County Commissioners.

INTERACTION:

Kittitas County Prosecuting Attorney's Office - Zera Lowe

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve and sign the Interlocal Agreement with Greater Columbia Behavioral Health

HANDLING:**LEAD STAFF:**

Paul Jewell