

Kittitas County Juvenile Probation

Agenda Staff Report

AGENDA DATE:

10/4/2011

ACTION REQUESTED:

Request to Approve the BOCC Chair's signature on a purchase of services agreement for qualified therapist Tahni Kalina to provide Functional Family Therapy (FFT) when ordered by the court.

BACKGROUND:

FFT is a research proven effective intervention with juvenile offenders and families as developed by the Washington Juvenile Courts, researched by the Washington State Institute for Public Policy and continuing to be funded by the Legislature through the Community Juvenile Accountability Act. MSW Tahni Kalina has received the required training and participates in ongoing quality assurance process as required for this certified intervention. The juvenile court applies this sanction to qualifying offenders as identified through Washington State Juvenile Courts Risk Assessment tool and managed through the Case Management Assessment Process. The DSHS/JRA (Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration) allocates funds to our county which we pass through to the provider in conjunction with our FFT Program within the CJAA portion of our block grant. The continuation agreement bridging the time frame until we have a 2011-2013 Consolidated (Block Grant) Contract includes funding for FFT as is the intention of the coming application for the biennial contract.

INTERACTION:

The assigned Deputy Prosecutor reviewed the document and approved as to form. The Presiding Judge has signed the document thereby authorizing use of juvenile court personnel for the necessary staff relationships to accomplish the Functional Family Therapy intervention.

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend the BOCC approve the Chair's signature to incur the beneficial relationship via the provided document.

HANDLING:

Please return to JCA Holmes for processing and return of a final signed document.

LEAD STAFF:

William Holmes