

Kittitas County Juvenile Probation

Agenda Staff Report

AGENDA DATE:

8/4/2015

ACTION REQUESTED:

Move to approve signatures to the agreement and sign it.

BACKGROUND:

This agreement for professional services is with a juvenile court with sufficient resources and population to support the research proven effective, recidivism reducing, intervention with youth and families: Functional Family Therapy (FFT). This is an intervention funded through DSHS/RA/JR (Rehabilitation Administration/Juvenile Rehabilitation) for county juvenile courts. It requires specifically credentialed therapists, qualifying offender youth and families and a referral base sufficient to maintain a caseload. We have used the intervention for the success of youth in our community but do not have sufficient population, qualifying caseload or qualified local therapists to do the intervention. The intervention is regularly funded through our Consolidated Contract with JR and is a program funded through the requirements of the Community Juvenile Accountability Act.

INTERACTION:

The Yakima County Juvenile Court Administrator offered the access to their qualified therapists with the knowledge of our need and concerns to access CJAA interventions. The document has been reviewed, received some editing and granted approval for offering to the BOCC through our legal advisor. The Presiding Judge of the Superior Court, who is both responsible for the administration of the juvenile court and the imposition of this program as a juvenile offender disposition has approved the contract approach.

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend motion be approved and BOCC members sign the agreement.

HANDLING:

Need one original returned to JCA Holmes for communication with Yakima County JCA.

LEAD STAFF:

William Holmes