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Legislation Text

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Amendment to contract between South Central and COMCARE for funding to provide services at the Community Crisis Center.

Recommended Action: Approve the contract, authorize the Chairman to sign, and authorize the establishment of budget authority as provided in the financial consideration section of this request.

Background: On January 7th, 2015 a contract with South Central in which COMCARE agreed to develop the Community Crisis Center (CCC) was approved. The CCC would be accessible to individuals living in Sedgwick, Butler and Sumner Counties. The target population of the CCC includes children, adolescent and adults who are at risk of a higher level of care, including voluntary or involuntary local and state hospitalization or jail, due to a mental health crisis and/or crisis related to a co-occurring substance use disorder.

The target population includes children, adolescent, and adults in the Butler, Sumner, and Sedgwick County area who are at risk of a higher level of care, including voluntary or involuntary local and state hospitalization, due to the mental health crisis and/or crisis related to a co-occurring substance use disorder. Challenges being faced include growing incarceration rates, increased law enforcement referrals to the mental health system, increased use of emergency department by those experiencing substance use disorder, and increased use of psychiatric hospitalization due to lack of community based alternative. The Community Crisis Center seeks to address these issues by providing an alternative for these individuals in our community.

This contract between South Central and Sedgwick County will provide funding for the Community Crisis Center in the amount of \$766,000.

Alternatives: If this contract is not approved, the Community Crisis Center could potentially lose the current detox and sobering services. Sedgwick County will continue to experience increased ER admissions, local hospitalization, state hospitalization and jail bookings.

Financial Considerations:

\$766,000 received from South Central

Fund Center: 311036-17

Term: 1-1-17 to 6-30-17

Budget Authority Adjustment: No budget authority is being requested. There is sufficient budget authority in the 2017 adopted budget.

Legal Considerations: The authority for this action is K.S.A. 19-101 and a simple majority vote is required.

Policy Considerations: All Sedgwick County policies have been followed in the development of this

proposed staffing change.