



Memorandum

TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive
FROM: Champ Thomaskutty, Director
RE: Mobile Mama Strategies, Inc. – Mental Health Workforce Expansion Pilot Program Contract Amendment #2
DATE: JULY 2, 2026

Attached is a contract amendment between Whatcom County and Mobile Mama Strategies, Inc. (Mobile Mama) for your review and signature. This amendment extends the contract for one year, updates the scope of work and budget to reflect the extended contract period, and includes new summary data as Exhibit D.

▪ **Background and Purpose**

This contract supports the Healthy Children’s Fund strategies to recruit a mental and behavioral health workforce to Whatcom County and to provide mental health services to vulnerable families. The Contractor administers an internship pilot project that increases access to perinatal mental health care and concurrently develops a local mental health workforce skilled in addressing perinatal mood and anxiety disorders for Medicaid enrollees and other low-income persons. For this contracting period, up to 3 interns will provide perinatal mental health services to Medicaid and other low-income eligible persons during the course of the internships.

The Contractor will build the local mental health system’s capacity to serve perinatal parents by recruiting, supervising, and mentoring interns enrolled in a graduate program that trains mental health therapists and clinical social workers who want to become licensed.

The Contractor will also provide training and consultation services regarding mental health safety protocols and program structures for clinical and non-clinical providers serving perinatal families, including program support, training development and delivery, and educational content development in support of the implementation of the Healthy Children’s Fund Doula program and related initiatives.

▪ **Funding Amount and Source**

Funding for this contract period (08/01/2026 – 07/31/2027), in an amount not to exceed \$199,000, is provided by the Healthy Children’s Fund. These funds are included in the 2026 budget. Council authorization is required as the funding provided by this amendment exceeds 10% of the amount authorized by Council.

▪ **Differences from Previous Contracts**

| Section | Differences |
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| General Terms | Extends the contract for one year, through 7/31/2027. |

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| General Terms – Section 40.1, Modifications | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates Exhibit A regarding: number of monthly clients seen, alignment with the Washington Thriving Strategic Plan, additional training and consultation deliverables, expanding intern client types, aligning reporting with Results Based Accountability, and amending the project timeline. • Updates Exhibit B to: reflect the budget for the extended contract period, simplify the budget table, and add consultation, accounting, and Intern laptop expense line items. • Adds Exhibit D to provide a summary of data from the initial contract period. |
| Exhibit A – Scope of Work | |
| Exhibit B – Compensation | |
| Exhibit D – Summary Data | |

Please contact Sarah Simpson, Child and Family Programs Supervisor at 360-778-6176, or SSimpson@co.whatcom.wa.us if you have any questions.

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