



Memorandum

TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

FROM: Erika Lautenbach, Director

RE: National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) of Whatcom County – Community Education and Support Contract Amendment #4

DATE: NOVEMBER 3, 2023

Attached is a contract amendment between Whatcom County and NAMI for your review and signature. This amendment extends the contract for an additional year.

▪ **Background and Purpose**

This contract provides funding for education and support for all of NAMI's dedicated programs and community outreach to over 1,545 Whatcom County residents who personally experience or have loved ones who experience, mental illness. Education and support can also reduce the stigma of mental illness and promote access to necessary treatment services.

▪ **Funding Amount and Source**

Funding for this contract period (01/01/2024 – 12/31/2024), in an amount not to exceed \$38,000, is provided by the Behavioral Health Program Fund. These funds are included in the 2024 budget. Council authorization is required as cumulative funding for this contract exceeds \$40,000.

▪ **Differences from Previous Contracts**

Section	Differences
General Terms – Section 10.2, Extension	Extends the contract through 12/31/2024
Exhibit A – Scope of Work	Removes the requirement to maintain a web directory of local mental health providers as similar directories are available and duplicate this service

Please contact Ann Beck, Community Health & Human Services Manager at 360-778-6055 (ABeck@co.whatcom.wa.us) or Kathleen Roy, Financial & Administrative Manager at 360-778-6007 (KRoy@co.whatcom.wa.us), if you have any questions.

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