



## Legislation Text

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### Memorandum

**Date:** August 3, 2021

**To:** The Honorable Bruno Sabatier, Chair, Lake County Board of Supervisors

**From:** Crystal Markytan, Social Services Director

**Subject:** Approve Contract between the County of Lake and Brain Learning Psychological Corporation for Learning Disability Testing and Evaluation Services in the amount of \$45,000 from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, and authorize the Chair to sign.

**Executive Summary:** (include fiscal and staffing impact narrative):

Learning disabilities should not be a barrier to employment and self-sufficiency. The Lake County Department of Social Services (LCDSS) CalWORKs Welfare-to-Work (WTW) program supports this philosophy by offering learning disability testing, evaluations, and accommodations to WTW clients. It is a State mandate that LCDSS must provide testing and evaluations to any WTW client who requests such services. Brain Learning Psychological Corporation (Brain Learning) has experience providing these services to county welfare departments. In addition to the testing and evaluation services, Brain Learning will also be providing training for staff to increase knowledge and awareness of learning disabilities. A disproportionate percentage of the unemployed have learning disabilities compared to the general population and given awareness and accommodation, a client is more prepared and better able to reach their employment goals. Despite COVID-19 restrictions, Brain Learning was still able to complete six evaluations in fiscal year 2020/2021. Brain Learning charges a rate of \$1,500 per completed assessment.

**If not budgeted, fill in the blanks below only:**

Estimated Cost: \$45,000 Amount Budgeted: \$45,000 Additional Requested: \_\_\_\_\_ Future Annual Cost: \_\_\_\_\_

**Consistency with Vision 2028 and/or Fiscal Crisis Management Plan** (check all that apply):

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Well-being of Residents | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety               | <input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure   | <input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Development               | <input type="checkbox"/> Disaster Recovery           | <input type="checkbox"/> County Workforce | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology Upgrades |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Collaboration            | <input type="checkbox"/> Business Process Efficiency | <input type="checkbox"/> Clear Lake       | <input type="checkbox"/> Revenue Generation  |
|   |  |   | <input type="checkbox"/> Cost Savings        |

**If request for exemption from competitive bid in accordance with County Code Chapter 2 Sec. 2-38, fill in blanks below:**

Which exemption is being requested?  
How long has Agreement been in place?  
When was purchase last rebid?

Reason for request to waive bid?

**Recommended Action:** Approve Contract between the County of Lake and Brain Learning Psychological Corporation for Learning Disability Testing and Evaluation Services in the amount of \$45,000 from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, and authorize the Chair to sign.