



**MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT**  
**Innovation Plan Extension Request**  
**For the Round Valley Crisis Response Project**  
**Public Posting and 30-Day Public Comment Period**  
**04/24/2020 -05/25/2020**

This Extension Request is made to provide additional time to fulfill the learning objectives of the Round Valley Crisis Response Innovation project. This project explores a community driven approach to resolving crisis needs, and seeks to provide culturally responsive services in a less institutional setting. To this end, the Center of Healing Hearts was created. The Center has focused on offering traditional healing techniques and connection to cultural heritage along with with peer counseling services for individuals experiencing significant stress, aiming to reduce the volume of crisis level contacts in the Round Valley area. If granted, the extension will allow the project to continue its learning phase through Fiscal Year 2021-22, making use of unspent funding previously approved.

The project will continue to test and learn about:

- Enhancement of respectful communication, collaboration as an approach to trust-building, overcoming historical distrust
- New outreach and engagement strategies and approaches, including traditional Native American cultural activities and healing practices;
- Trauma informed care, addressing historical and intergenerational trauma
- Local collaboration and coordination for services and interventions
- Capacity building approaches for sustainability

A full copy of the **Draft Round Valley Innovation Crisis Response Services Extension Request** can be found at: <https://www.mendocinocounty.org/government/health-and-human-services-agency/mental-health-services/mental-health-services-act>

The 30-day public posting period is an opportunity for you to provide comments on this Plan. The MHSA team receives comments throughout this period by email, mail and phone, and verbally during a public hearing, and provides formal written responses in an attachment to the Final version of the Innovation Plan. A Public Hearing will be arranged and announced separately.

**If you have comments** on the Extension Request for Round Valley Crisis or questions on the process please contact:

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