

5. CONSENT AGENDA 3. PURCHASING

**5.3.5. MENTAL HEALTH TELETHERAPY SERVICES & 24/7 CRISIS LINE ACCESSIBILITY**

**Lead Staff:** Greg Singleton, Dean of Student Affairs

**Funding Source:** FY26 budget

**Funding Request:** \$141,060.51

<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Amount</b>
BetterMynd, Inc.	\$141,060.51

**Explanation of Purchase:** This purchase provides students with virtual mental health teletherapy services and 24/7 crisis line access in both English and Spanish, with availability during traditional hours, evenings, weekends, and school breaks.

Pursuant to 110 ILCS 805/3-27.1 (a), contracts for the services of individuals possessing a high degree of professional skill where the ability or fitness of the individual plays an important part are exempt from the competitive bidding process.

**Recommendation:** Approve a contract from February 25, 2026, through June 30, 2029, with BetterMynd, Inc. of Buffalo, NY, in a not-to-exceed total amount of \$141,060.51.