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**NURSTEAD MENTAL HEALTH & CONSULTING SERVICES TASKED BY STATE TO
CREATE CHILDREN’S MOBILE RESPONSE AND STABILIZATION SERVICES (MRSS)**

Clovis, New Mexico – Nurstead Mental Health & Consulting Services, currently one of two certified Mobile Crisis Teams (MCT) in the State of New Mexico, has finalized plans to begin integration of Children’s Mobile Response and Stabilization Services (MRSS) in Curry and Roosevelt County. According to the Center for Innovation, Mobile Response and Stabilization Services (MRSS) is a rapid response, behavioral health led, crisis intervention model customized to meet the developmental needs of children, youth, young adults, and their families (youth and families). The inclusion of MRSS within a comprehensive system of care (SOC) and crisis continuum is a core component of a good and modern children’s behavioral health system. Nurstead will integrate MRSS services into the existing Mobile Crisis services they offer, building a robust and comprehensive crisis response model. “The biggest difference in MRSS and traditional MCT is the fact that the crisis and response are defined by the parent and youth and follow up to maintain stabilization is a guaranteed part of the process,” stated Nurstead Treatment Director and COO James Abelar, LCSW. Jolene Mondragon, Behavioral Health Services Program Manager for Children, Youth & Families Department (CYFD) stated “it is a priority for the Cabinet Secretary [of CYFD] to make sure a contract is executed with Nurstead by the 30th so work on this project starts January 1st.”

About Nurstead Mental Health & Consulting Services

Nurstead Consulting Services is a behavioral health consulting and training firm based in Clovis, New Mexico. Nurstead Consulting Services’ training focus is in topics such as mental health, substance use, ethics, leadership, and wellness, and provides training to a wide array of first responders, military, clinical staff, and business sectors. Nurstead Consulting Services also performs direct service in behavioral health with a focus on crisis response and has responded to some of the largest crisis events of the past decade. Nurstead Mental Health is the direct service arm of Nurstead Consulting Services, which provides mobile crisis services, peer support, outpatient counseling, drop-in center services, and addiction treatment options which are offered statewide.