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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

D.C., a minor by and through his  
Guardian Ad Litem, HELEN GARTER,  
on behalf of himself and all others  
similarly situated,  
  
Plaintiff,  
  
v.  
  
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, A.B. AND  
JESSIE POLINSKY CHILDREN’S  
CENTER, SAN DIEGO COUNTY  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
AGENCY,  
  
Defendants.

Case No.: 15cv1868-MMA- NLS  
  
**ORDER GRANTING JOINT  
MOTION TO EXTEND DISCOVERY  
DEADLINES**  
  
[ECF No. 135]

Before the Court is the parties’ joint motion for an order extending certain  
deadlines in the current scheduling order. ECF No. 135. First, the parties request that the  
expert discovery deadline, date to file dispositive motions, and mandatory settlement  
conference date all be extended by approximately 30 days in order to give the parties  
sufficient time to complete expert discovery in light of a previously granted extension to  
other expert discovery dates. *Id.* at 4-5. Second, the parties request that fact discovery be  
extended for the limited purpose of permitting Defendant to subpoena and depose Dr. Dr.


1 Ellen Heyneman and Melissa Nefalar, LMFT, two treatment providers for Plaintiff whom  
2 Defendant did not learn about until March 10, 2021, after fact discovery closed. *Id.* at 5.  
3 Plaintiff does not oppose the request. *Id.* at 1.

4 Good cause appearing, the Court **GRANTS** the motion. Dates shall be extended as  
5 follows:

- 6 1. The fact discovery cutoff date is extended to **June 28, 2021**, for the limited  
7 purpose of subpoenaing and taking the depositions of Drs. Hayneman and  
8 Nefalar.
- 9 2. The expert discovery cutoff date is extended to **June 28, 2021**.
- 10 3. The deadline to file dispositive motions is extended to **July 28, 2021**.
- 11 4. The Mandatory Settlement Conference is continued to **October 6, 2021** at  
12 **10:00 a.m.** Confidential settlement briefs must be submitted by **September**  
13 **29, 2021**.

14 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

15 Dated: April 1, 2021

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17 Hon. Nita L. Stormes  
18 United States Magistrate Judge  
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