

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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Department Name: Public Health

Department No.: 041

For Agenda Of: June 21, 2011
Placement: Administrative

Estimated Tme:

Continued Item: No

If Yes, date from:

Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Takashi Wada, MD, MPH, Director and Health Officer

Director Public Health Department

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Manager 346-8286

SUBJECT: Amendment to Revenue Agreement Statewide Immunization Information System

(SIIS)

County Counsel Concurrence Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A As to form: N/A

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form:

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

Approve and authorize the Public Health Director to execute Amendment A01 to Revenue Agreement 10-95442 with the California Department of Public Health for the Statewide Immunization Information System (SIIS) for the period July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011 in the amount of \$37,226; a decrease from the original contract amount of \$101,932.

Summary Text:

On July 27, 2010 your Board approved Agreement 10-95442 with the California Department of Public Health for the Statewide Immunization Information System (SIIS) for the period July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011 in the amount of \$101,932. The SIIS grant provides for the development, implementation and maintenance of the California Immunization Registry (CAIR), a regional automated immunization information and reminder system to ensure adequate immunization of all children in the community, whether served by private or publicly-funded providers. Due to budget cuts of \$18 million by the Legislature, the amendment before your Board today decreases the local assistance for SIIS funding from \$101,932 to \$37,226 (a reduction of \$64,706).

A continuation of the same services identified in the original agreement will be carried out with the exception of maintaining a regional help-desk support for users throughout the Central Coast region, as referred to in Exhibit A, Scope of Work, Provision 5, paragraph B. 1) subparagraph f.

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In order to incorporate this reduction in funding, staffing assigned to this grant has been reduced and reclassified. CAIR user help-desk support has been transferred to the State. In addition, data integrity functions have been automated by the State or transferred to Ventura County staff.

Future funding for SIIS will be eliminated next fiscal year. In order to maintain the viability of the CAIR registry, federal funding for the program will be kept at the State level. The State Immunization Branch will be implementing a new model to include field staff support for provider recruitment, retention and training.

Background:

The immunization schedule is complex and changes frequently. CAIR makes tracking immunizations easier by displaying doses due at each visit and it helps maintain updated immunization records in one central location that is available to multiple providers. CAIR tools, such as reminder and recall, help improve immunization services and increase coverage rates. Since the Immunization Program began utilizing the CAIR software in 2001, up-to-date immunization rates at the Public Health Care Centers have soared from 72% to 95% overall.

Health & Safety Code 120440 authorizes local health officers to operate immunization information systems and to disclose or share certain prescribed immunization-related information concerning individual patients with specific health care providers and service providers.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes.

Fiscal Analysis:

Approving and executing Amendment A01 to Agreement 10-95442 with the California Department of Public Health for the Statewide Immunization Information System will not result in any change in General Fund contribution. The reduction in grant funding from \$101,932 to \$37,226 will require a reduction of \$64,706 from the program budget. The reduction was made in salary expenses by decreasing a staff position from 1.0 FTE to 0.5 FTE. Other reductions were made in operating expenses.

Staffing Impact:

Legal Positions: FTEs: 0.5

Special Instructions:

Please return an electronic copy of the Minute Order to the PHD Contracts Unit at PHDcu@sbcphd.org

Attachments:

Amendment A01 to Revenue Agreement 10-95442 Statewide Immunization Information System (SIIS)

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