

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



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TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Roger E. Heroux, Director
Public Health Department
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681-5423
SUBJECT: Chlamydia Screening Project (ClaSP) Agreement

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

Execute the Standard Agreement #03-75750 with the State Department of Health Services, Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Control Branch for the Chlamydia Screening Project for the period of October 1, 2003 through June 30, 2005 in the amount of \$78,750.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation(s) are primarily aligned with:

- Goal No. 1: An Efficient Government Able to Respond Effectively to the Needs of the Community.
- Goal No. 2: A Safe and Healthy Community in Which to Live, Work, and Visit.
- Goal No. 7: A Community that Fosters the Safety and Well-Being of Families and Children.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

The California Department of Health Service's Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Control Branch is continuing their efforts to reduce Chlamydia by extending county contracts for the Chlamydia Screening Project (ClaSP) for youths in non-clinical settings. The goals of the program are to decrease the prevalence of Chlamydia in the selected venue by 20% within one year, and to assist in determining the feasibility and applicability of national performance measures.

The Department of Health Service previously awarded Santa Barbara County Public Health Department (PHD) \$40,000 for the period of October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003 to screen and treat minors in the juvenile facilities. In addition to the award, the PHD also received the appropriate pharmaceuticals at no charge. This year, the Santa Barbara County Public Health department was awarded an increased amount of \$78,750 for the twenty-one month period of October 1, 2003 through June 30, 2005.

Chlamydia is the fastest spreading STD infection among sexually active adolescents and young adults less than 25 years of age in Santa Barbara County. In the period of October 1, 2002 through September 30, 2003 871 minors were screened for Chlamydia. There were 52 positive cases, which indicates a 6% prevalence rate. Given the fact that the youths are a "captive audience" when they are in the Juvenile Halls, it creates an excellent opportunity for

the medical team to screen and treat the disease efficiently and effectively. The Public Health Department has been testing girls in the juvenile detention facilities with a simple urine-screening test since 1997. Chlamydia can cause infertility and has been linked to cervical cancer. It is silent in males, who may transmit the disease unknowingly. The best way to prevent these problems is to be screened even if there are no symptoms.

The award will benefit the Probation Department because part of the funding will be used to offset laboratory and pharmaceutical costs usually incurred in their budget for the Juvenile Halls. The remainder will offset Chlamydia administrative and testing costs incurred by the Public Health Department.

Your Board is requested to execute the Standard Agreement #03-75750 with the State Department of Health Services, Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Control Branch for the Chlamydia Screening Project for the period of October 1, 2003 through June 30, 2005 in the amount of \$78,750.

Mandates and Service Levels:

This is a non-mandated program. Applicable legislative statutes are California Administrative Code, Title 17, Chapter 3, Article 2, Sections 1276, 2500, 2501, 2502, 2503, 2505; and California Administrative Code, Title 17, Chapter 3, Subchapter 1.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Approval of this \$78,750 (\$33,750 in FY03-04 and \$45,000 in FY04-05) agreement will not increase the PHD General Fund Contribution or A87 Plan Overhead. Additionally, this agreement will fund an increased level of laboratory tests, existing PHD staff time, and 100% of the PHD indirect cost rate.

Because this agreement spans two fiscal years, beginning October 1, 2003, the chart below shows the estimated usage by department and fiscal year and also the prior grant amount applicable to FY 2003-2004.

	FY 2003-2004 Previous Grant (3 months)	FY 2003-2004 Current Grant (9 months)	FY 2004-2005 Grant (12 months)
Laboratory Budget	\$7,135	\$22,144	\$29,696
PHD staff time Recovered	1,394	6,641	8,684
PHD Indirect Cost Recovered	1,471	4,965	6,620
Total	\$10,000	\$33,750	\$45,000

Approval of this action will result in increasing the Public Health Department Inmate Health cost center displayed on page D-180 of the 2003-2004 County Operating Plan Document from \$542,226 to \$575,976. Pending approval, a Budget Revision Request will follow.

Approval of this action will not result in a need for any additional facilities.

Special Instructions:

Please return seven (7) copies of the Standard Agreement with original signatures to the Public Health Department Contracts Unit, Attention: Dawn McGrew.

Concurrence:

Probation Department.