



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: May 16, 2017
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Carrie Topliffe, CPA, Interim Director
Director(s) Public Health Department
Contact Info: Amber Bermond, CMAA Coordinator, 681-4953
SUBJECT: County-based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities Grant Agreement with the California Department of Health Care Services

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

Consider recommendations regarding an agreement for County-based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities with the California Department of Health Care Services as follows:

- a) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Public Health Department Director, or designee, to sign Agreement 16-93377 and any associated certifications with the California Department of Health Care Services for County-based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019, in the amount of \$4,500,000.
- b) Determine that the recommended action is not a "Project" within the meaning of California Environmental Quality Act, pursuant to CEQA Guideline Section 15378(b)(4), since the recommended action is a government fiscal activity which does not involve commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the administrative agenda to execute a grant agreement for County-based Medi-Cal Administration Activities (CMAA) with the State of California's Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). This grant Agreement establishes the responsibilities and mutual objectives of both Santa Barbara County and DHCS relating to the provision of CMAA services to eligible Medi-Cal beneficiaries.

For this new three year term, DHCS delayed providing the Agreement to County while DHCS conducted its review to ensure the Agreement complies with Title 2, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200. As a result, the agreement was not received by the Public Health Department (PHD) until April of 2017. During the DHCS delay, County continued to provide CMAA services and therefore requests your Board ratify for a start date of the grant to July 1, 2016.

Background:

The administrative purpose of the CMAA Agreement is a technical requirement which permits the County to claim monies for services which are generally required to be carried out in the course of other PHD service requirements or mandates. These services include activities such as Medi-Cal Outreach to bring eligible individuals into Medi-Cal covered services through referral, coordination, and the facilitation of Medi-Cal applications. It can also include program planning and policy development for Medi-Cal services, particularly when performed by skilled professional medical personnel. The Agreement permits the County to access Federal Financial Participation (FFP) for services the State of California has chosen not to match through categorical appropriated funds.

This current Agreement is for the three-year period from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019. Annual allocations are as follows:

Fiscal Year	Amount
16-17	\$1,500,000
17-18	\$1,500,000
18-19	\$1,500,000
Total Agreement	\$4,500,000

Approval of this Agreement does not alter programs or service levels. CMAA programs, for which FFP is claimed through this Agreement, operate under various mandates (Title 42, USC, Section 1396 et seq. and Welfare and Institutions (W&I) Code, Division 9, Part 3, Chapter 7, commencing with Section 14000) and service level requirements in the Public Health Department.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Revenues for CMAA were incorporated in the FY 2016-17 Adopted Budget for the PHD for a total of \$672,000. The county claims CMAA and also currently has a contract for CMAA services with the County Office of Education. This CMAA agreement with DHCS has been established in an amount greater than the amount budgeted to allow for the ability to “grow” the CMAA program both internally and possibly externally through additional outside contracts.

This recommended action does not alter requirements for facilities in any way.

Special Instructions:

Please send an electronic copy of the Minute Order to the PHD Contracts Unit at PHDRES.ContractsUnit@sbcphd.org

Attachments:

- A. Medi-Cal Administrative Activities Program, Agreement 16-93377

Agreement with DHCS for County-based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (CMAA)

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