

**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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SUBJECT: Children's Medical Services Plan for FY 2003-2004

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

Execute a Plan with the State Department of Health Services for the Children's Medical Services for the period July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004, in the amount of total of \$4,022,859, which includes the following programs:

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| Child Health and Disability Program | \$1,045,295 |
| Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care | 107,759 |
| California Children Services Administration | 2,805,797 |
| Medical Therapy Program Claims Preparation | <u>64,008</u> |
| | \$4,022,859 |

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation is primarily aligned with Goal No. II – A safe and Healthy Community in Which to Live, Work, and Visit; and Goal No. VII – A Community that Fosters the Safety and Well –Being of Families and Children.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

Background

Children's Medical Services (CMS) comprises the Child Health and Disability Prevention and California Children Services programs. CMS is charged with providing a coordinated system of health care for the children of California.

Child Health and Disability Prevention (CHDP) offers periodic screening examinations and follow up of health problems found. Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care provides funding

through CHDP for Public Health Nurses to support Child Welfare Services and Probation staff responsible for ensuring health care for children in out-of-home placement.

Beginning July 1, 2003, the CHDP program also functions as the Gateway into Medi-Cal or Healthy Families, and assists families applying for those programs. The CHDP program will require additional staff to meet State staffing guidelines, and the Public Health Department will return to the Board during Fiscal Year 2003-2004 to request new positions. Along with this change, the State has directed the County CHDP program to develop two budgets for submission in Fiscal Year 2003-2004, accounting for Medi-Cal funding at 100% of the staffing guidelines, and at 65%. The budget at 65% will be funded in Fiscal 2003-2004, and the budget at 100% reflects the possible future cost of the CHDP program. There is no longer a prescribed cost sharing local contribution to the CHDP program.

California Children Services (CCS) assists eligible children with certain handicapping conditions, to access and pay for expert medical care, including physical and occupational therapy. CCS includes billing Medi-Cal for direct services provided to children in the CCS Medical Therapy Program.

Collaboration

To improve access to and use of the programs by the target population, agreements were made between Women, Infants, and Children Supplemental Nutrition program and CHDP; and between Santa Barbara County Special Education Local Plan Area and CCS.

An interagency agreement was made between the County of Santa Barbara Public Health Department and the County of Santa Barbara Department of Social Services for FY 02-03 and FY 03-04 to assure compliance with federal and state regulations and the appropriate expenditure of Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment funds in the implementation of the CHDP program.

A Memorandum of Understanding for FY 03-04 and FY 04-05 among the Public Health Department, Probation Department, and the Department of Social Services outlines each agency's contribution to the Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care.

CMS Plan and Budget

The Children's Medical Services Plan for FY 2003-2004 includes budgets for the CHDP Program, the Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care, CCS Program Administration, and Medical Therapy Program Claims Preparation. The CCS Diagnostic, Treatment and Medical Therapy programs are not included in the Plan

The County is responsible for one-half of the non-Medi-Cal funds in the CCS Administration budget per Health and Safety Code 123953(a)(1).

Your Board is requested to execute a Plan with the State Department of Health Services for the Children's Medical Services for Fiscal Year 2003-2004 in the amount of \$1,045,295 for Child Health and Disability Program, \$107,759 for Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care, \$2,805,797 California Children Services Administration, and \$64,008 for Medical Therapy Program Claims Preparation, for a total of \$4,022,859.

Upon execution of Plan, the State will issue budget approval letters. In addition, a Certification of County Appropriation is executed by the Public Health Department's Chief Financial Officer.

Mandates and Service Levels:

There is no change in service level. Legislative statutes to provide CHDP and CCS services are:

CHDP: Health and Safety Code sections 124025 through 124110; California Administrative Code, Title 17, Sections 6800 and 6874; California Administrative Code, Title 22, Sections 50031, 50157 a, d, e, f, 50184 v, 81304 c, 51340, and 55132.

CCS: Title V, Part 2 of the Social Security Act; California Health and Safety Code, Section 123805; California Administrative Code, Title 17, Sections 2890 through 2906; and California Administrative Code, Title 22.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

The following table reflects the mix of federal, state, and local funding required to supported the mandated CCS and CHDP program administration functions:

| | | CMS Plan and Budget | State and Federal Funds | Local Cost-sharing Contribution |
|-------|--|---------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| CHDP | CHDP @ 65% | \$1,045,295 | \$1,045,295 | \$0 |
| CHDP | Foster Care | \$ 107,759 | \$ 107,759 | \$0 |
| CCS | CCS Program Administration | \$2,805,797 | \$2,490,780 | \$315,017 |
| CCS | Medical Therapy Program Claims Preparation | \$ 64,008 | \$ 46,085 | \$ 17,923 |
| CCS | Diagnostic, Treatment and Medical Therapy | Not included | | |
| Total | | \$4,022,859 | \$3,689,919 | \$332,940 |

All funds have been budgeted as part of the Public Health Department's FY 03-04 adopted budget, with the exception of the newly augmented CHDP funding for implementation of the Gateway program. As this level of expenditure-driven funding can only be achieved with additional staffing, we will return to your board with a budget revision request, should your board adopt this action.

This action will not result in a need for any additional facilities.

Special Instructions: Please send the signed original CMS Plan and Budget, so it may be sent to the State, and a certified Minute Order to PHD Administration, 300 N. San Antonio Rd., Bldg 8: Attn: J. Cioppa.

Concurrence: None