



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER**

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Submitted on:
(COB Stamp)

Department Name: County Health Department
Department No.: 041
Agenda Date: June 23, 2026
Placement: Administrative Agenda
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Director: Mouhanad Hammami, County Health

Signed by:
Mouhanad Hammami
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Contact: Tanesha Castaneda, Manager, California Children’s Services (CCS)
Kelley Barragan, Administrator, Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care (HPCFC)

SUBJECT: Children’s Medical Services Budgets for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: N/A

As to form: N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to receive the Children’s Medical Services (CMS) allocation from the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) for the Children’s Medical Services program for the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, in the amount of \$3,790,352;
- b) Approve and authorize the Director of County Health, or designee, to make and sign all required representations and certifications; and
- c) Determine that the recommended actions do not constitute a “Project” within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and are exempt pursuant to Section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA Guidelines, since the recommended actions are the creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities that do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda to approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to receive funding from the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) for the Children's Medical Services (CMS) programs, which is comprised of both the Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care (HCPCFC) and California Children's Services (CCS) Administration and Therapy for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, in the amount of \$3,790,352. HCPCFC serves children and youth in foster care or, while CCS provides services to children and youth with specific qualifying health conditions.

Discussion:

The CMS programs are administered as a partnership between county health departments and DHCS. The CMS program provides a comprehensive system of health care for children through preventive screening, diagnostics, treatment, rehabilitation and follow-up services. This program is comprised of two components: HCPCFC, a program for children in foster care and in the child welfare system and CCS, a program for children with specific health conditions.

The budget presented for approval outlines the annual allocation necessary to operate these programs, including staffing, case management, clinical oversight, and the coordination of mandated health services. Board authorization is required to formally receive these funds from DHCS, ensure compliance with state program requirements, and allow the County to continue administering these essential services.

Background:

HCPCFC is a mandated public health nursing program implemented through county Child Welfare Service agencies and Probation Departments. The HCPCFC program, as outlined by the California Department of Social Services, works to provide public health nurse expertise in meeting the medical, dental, mental and developmental needs of children and youth in foster care.

The CCS program is a mandated program that provides financial, residential, and medical eligibility determination services for all clients referred to the program. The CCS program also provides diagnostic and treatment services, medical case management (for children not enrolled as CenCal Health members) and physical and occupational therapy services to children under age 21 with CCS-eligible medical conditions. Examples of CCS-eligible conditions include, but are not limited to, cystic fibrosis, hemophilia, cerebral palsy, heart disease, cancer, traumatic injuries, and some infectious diseases.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes. The fiscal year (FY) 2025-26 Adopted Budget includes revenue of \$3,790,352 for the HCPCFC and CCS programs and \$1,911,640 in General Fund and Realignment for the local cost share.

Fiscal Analysis:

The County is responsible for one-half of the costs of the non-Medi-Cal eligible children served by CCS Administration per Health and Safety Code section 123955(e)(1), as shown below in the Funding Overview table. Because the vast majority of the children are Medi-Cal eligible, the local cost sharing contribution is projected at approximately 12% of the total budgeted funding. CCS Therapy has a 50% local cost share, funded by Realignment and General Fund. The HCPCFC Program does not have a local cost share.

The following table reflects the mixture of federal, state, and local funding that supports the HCPCFC and CCS Administration and CCS Therapy:

Funding Source	FY 2025-26	Total
General Fund	\$995,640	\$995,640
Realignment	\$916,000	\$916,000
State	\$2,619,217	\$2,619,217
Federal	\$1,171,135	\$1,171,135
Total	\$5,701,992	\$5,701,992

All funds are included in the County Health Department’s Adopted FY 2025-26 Budget. Both the \$995,640 of local general fund and the \$916,000 of realignment cost-sharing contribution are a required match to receive this level of federal and state funding. This agreement is for the State allocation of \$2,619,217 and Federal allocation of \$1,171,135, for a total of \$3,790,352. These budgets represent not-to-exceed allocations for these program services.

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

Special Instructions:

Please email the minute order and a copy of the board executed documents to the County Health Contracts Unit, PHDGroupContractsUnit@sbcphd.org

Attachments:

Attachment A – Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care Budget Worksheets and California Children’s Services Budget Worksheets.

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