

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE SANTA)
BARBARA COUNTY INDEIGENT CARE) RESOLUTION NO. _____
PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES AND)
STANDARDS**

WHEREAS, the Federal Affordable Care Act (ACA) took effect on January 1, 2014, providing health insurance options (including Medi-Cal (MAGI and Non-MAGI) and the programs offered by Covered California (private insurance) to most residents in Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, Medi-Cal now provides health care coverage for County residents with income levels up to 138% of the Federal Poverty Level; and

WHEREAS, Welfare and Institutions Code sections 17000 et seq. requires Santa Barbara County to provide medical services to indigent persons only "when such persons are not supported and relieved by their own means, relatives and friends, or by state hospitals or other state or private institutions": and

WHEREAS, the State of California has shifted previous funding provided to Santa Barbara County to support indigent care to State Medi-Cal; and

WHEREAS, the County wishes to amend the existing Indigent Care Program for individuals with incomes from 100% and below the Federal Poverty Level which is aligned with many other comparable counties in California and commensurate with the withdrawal of previous State support; and

WHEREAS, the County also wishes to simplify the guidelines and application process for eligibility and benefits associated with the Indigent Care Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED AND RESOLVED that consistent with staff's recommendations the Board of Supervisors of Santa Barbara County does hereby adopt the attached Indigent Care Program Guidelines and Standards Manual.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of the Public Health Department, or his/her designee is hereby authorized and empowered to make administrative revisions in the name of the Santa Barbara County of all future Public Health Department Indigent Care Program Guidelines.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California, this _____ day of _____ 2019, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA
Steve Lavagnino

By _____
Chair, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
Mona Miyasato
COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER

By _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
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COUNTY COUNSEL

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AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

By _____
Deputy County Counsel

By _____
Deputy

APPROVED
Van Do-Reynoso, MPH, PhD
PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

By: _____
Director