



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: March 15, 2016
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: 4/5

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Takashi Wada, MD, MPH, Public Health Department Director &
Director(s) Deputy Health Officer
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SUBJECT: Pediatric Trauma Care "Richie" Fund Distribution Agreement with Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors consider the following recommendations:

- a) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement (Attachment A) between the Public Health Department and the Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital Level II Pediatric Trauma Center to receive Maddy Fund distributions pursuant to Senate Bill 1236, Richie Pediatric Trauma Fund legislation in an amount not to exceed \$598,000, for the period March 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019.
- b) Approve budget revision request BJE 0004268 (Attachment C) to allocate funds from the Pediatric Trauma Fund (also called the "Richie's Fund") to support pediatric trauma services through a service agreement with Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital.
- c) Determine that this action is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act review per 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 agenda to approve and execute a service agreement with Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital for pediatric trauma care in Santa Barbara County. Board approval for Recommendation A will allow the Public Health Department (PHD) to distribute pediatric trauma funds through Maddy Fund legislation to support local pediatric trauma services, as designated by the California Health and Safety Code Chapter 2.5 Section 1797.98a-1797.98g.

Background:

In 2008 your Board approved a resolution (Attachment B) to implement Senate Bill 1236 (Padilla), subsequently extended by SB191 (Padilla), which is one of the legislative bills that established a Maddy fund for Santa Barbara County which provided that a portion of the funds collected be allocated into a fund to support pediatric trauma services. The Pediatric Trauma Fund, or “Richie’s” Fund, is to be used to support pediatric trauma care by increasing access to, and coordination of, pediatric trauma care services (California Health & Safety Code § 1797.98a (e)). In September of 2015, Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital Pediatric Trauma Center Medical Director, Dr. S. Kaminski submitted a letter of intent (Attachment D) to the EMS Agency, requesting dispersal of Richie Funds.

Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital is the only designated Level II Adult and Pediatric Trauma Center in the County. In addition to being the local Level II Pediatric Trauma Center, Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital has an established Children’s Medical Center and the only state approved Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) in the County. Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital, as the County’s Pediatric Trauma Center, is eligible to receive Richie Funds that have been collected to support pediatric trauma services in our county. Based on this criteria and a longstanding proven capability as a Trauma Center, Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital is the appropriate entity to receive the Richie Funds in Santa Barbara County.

The funds will be distributed according to the milestones and timelines listed in the agreement to Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital as the Level II Pediatric Trauma Center in support of pediatric trauma care throughout our county.

Performance Measure:

Pediatric trauma services performance measures are included in the Scope of Work of the Richie Fund Agreement.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No

Fiscal Analysis:

This agreement will establish a contract with Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital, which spans four fiscal years, totaling \$598,000. The agreement is funded by the Maddy Fund legislation SB191 (Padilla). The legislation allows for 15% percent of revenue collected from Fines, Forfeitures and Penalties to be allocated specifically for pediatric trauma centers in the County, known as the Richie Fund. The Richie Fund currently has a balance of \$464,269 and is expected to receive an additional \$70,000 in each of the next two years. Per the Agreement (Attachment A), payments to Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital are contingent upon receipt of funds.

The Public Health Department’s FY 15-16 budget currently has \$71,182 budgeted for pediatric trauma services and equipment. The attached budget revision increases the budget by an additional \$126,818 and allows for the total distribution amount of \$198,000 in year 1, as per the contract.

Key Contract Risks:

Per the County's Service Contract and Grant Compliance Management Policy, staff evaluated the risks of this contract which was assessed to be medium risk for the following reasons: Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital is the only designated Level II Adult and Pediatric Trauma Center in the county, the term of the agreement is for four years to support trauma care, and department funding through Maddy Fund legislation could potentially decrease in future years.

The Public Health Department feels these risks are acceptable, however, due to a long standing relationship with Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital. The Maddy Fund legislation, established in 1997, has proven to be a stable funding source for the department, and funding for this agreement is contingent upon available funding through the Richie Fund as stated in the terms of the agreement.

Staffing Impacts:

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

Special Instructions:

Please execute two (2) originals of the Richie Fund Agreement and retain one (1) original Agreement and one (1) Minute Order for pick-up by the department. Please email phdcu@sbcphd.org when available for pickup.

Attachments:

- A. Richie Fund Services Agreement
- B. 2008 Resolution to implement Senate Bill 1236
- C. Budget Revision Request number 0004268
- D. Dr. S. Kaminski Letter of Intent

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