



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 3, 2025
Placement: Departmental Agenda
Estimated Time: Five Minutes
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: 4/5

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Mouhanad Hammami, Director, County Health (805) 681-5102
Contact Info: Lindsay Walter, Deputy Director (805) 681-5171
SUBJECT: Waiver of Retirement Exclusion for Dana Gamble for the Santa Barbara County Health Department Clinical Care Program Division

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Santa Barbara County Employees' Retirement System (SBCERS), CEO Budget, Purchasing

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) In accordance with California Government Code Section 7522.56(f)(1), certify that the appointment of retired County employee, Dana Gamble, Deputy Director is necessary to fill a critical need in the Clinical Care Program of the County Health Department before 180 days have passed from his date of retirement;
- b) Ratify, approve, and authorize the Chief Procurement Officer to execute an Agreement for Services with retired Deputy Director, Dana Gamble through Dana's Point LLC, as a consultant to provide CalAIM implementation and Health Care Program compliance services limited to 180 hours for the period of April 1, 2025 through June 30, 2025;
- c) Approve Budget Revision Request BJE #0010410 in the amount of \$18,000; and
- d) Determine that the recommended actions do not constitute a "Project" within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines, because the actions consist of organizational and administrative activities of governments that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda to request that your Board certify that there is a critical need to allow the County Health Department (CHD) to hire retired Deputy Director, Dana Gamble, as a consultant to assist with Path 2 and Path 3 grants implementation of key Cal-AIM and Justice Reentry Services and other Health Center Program Projects that are time sensitive. Dana Gamble retired on March 29, 2025, from his position as Deputy Director at the Santa Barbara County Health Department. These projects are at a pivotal point in their development and Mr. Gamble has been key in the program design and implementation of the Health Center Program services with other County Partners. His ongoing involvement will support implementation while also ensuring a smooth transition to the permanent successor who assumed their role in April 2025.

Discussion:

California Advancing and Improving Medi-Cal — known as CalAIM — is a far reaching, multiyear plan to transform the Medi-Cal program and to make it integrate more seamlessly with other social services. The goal of CalAIM is to improve outcomes for the more than 100,000 residents of Santa Barbara County covered by Medi-Cal, especially those with the most complex needs. Mr. Gamble has been pivotal in the design of CHD's Enhanced Care Management program, and he has helped to shape the county-wide collaboration with the Sheriff, Probation, and Behavioral Wellness Departments. Re-Entry Services at the Juvenile Hall and Jail, in coordination with Enhanced Care Management referrals to the Health Centers, are essential to connecting clients who are released from incarceration back to the community. In his consultant role, Mr. Gamble will implement the workflows, training, and program design for these services.

Additionally, Mr. Gamble will provide specialized guidance on Federally Qualified Health Center compliance standards and assist with CHD's Health Center Program's triennial review and any improvements resulting from that. If approved by this Board, Mr. Gamble will complete the goal of implementing a comprehensive and sustainable Reentry program while ensuring a seamless training plan for the new Deputy Director.

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Source	FY 2024-25	Total
General Fund		
State	\$18,000	\$18,000
Federal		
Fees		
[Other Source]		
Total	\$18,000	\$18,000

It is anticipated that Mr. Gamble will provide support for approximately 15 months. This will ensure consistency and expertise as the program is implemented and additional staff are onboarded. As a contractor, Mr. Gamble's hourly rate will be \$100 per hour for a total of 180 hours for an estimated \$18,000 in FY 2024-25. This hourly rate does not exceed the maximum authorized salary rate in the County's salary tables in accordance with California Government Code section 7522.56(d). CalAIM Path 3 grant funding will be used for the cost of the contract. The attached BJE 0010410 will establish appropriation in CHD and transfer needed funds from the Sheriff Department. It is anticipated that Mr. Gamble will support these implementation activities and a new agreement for services will be issued for FY 25-26 based on funding approved from Path 3 or other CalAIM grant revenue if needed.

Special Instructions:

Please send an electronic copy of the minute order to PHDGROUPContractsUnit@sbcphd.org

Attachments:

Attachment A – Dana Gamble Certification Post-Retirement Employment of SBCERS

Attachment B – Dana Gamble Retirement Waiver Budget Revision Request BJE #0010410

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