



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER**

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Submitted on:
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Department Name: Public Health
Department No.: 041
Agenda Date: February 25, 2025
Placement: Administrative Agenda
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director(s): Mouhanad Hammami, Public Health Department
Contact Info: Anne Carlisle, Manager, Communicable Disease Control and Prevention
SUBJECT: Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the California Department of Public Health Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Control Branch and Santa Barbara County Public Health Department for Participation in the 340B Drug Pricing Program as an STD Entity

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence:

As to form: N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: N/A

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Director of the Public Health Department to execute a MOU with the California Department of Public Health for participation in the 340B Drug Pricing Program as a STD entity;
- b) Approve and authorize the Director of the Public Health Department to execute no-cost amendments to the MOU upon review and approval by County Counsel's Office, subject to the Board's ability to rescind this delegation at any time; and
- c) Determine that the recommended actions are not a "Project" within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and is exempt per CEQA Guideline Section 15378(b)(4) since the recommended actions are government fiscal activities that do 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 for approval and authorization to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) STD Control Branch and Santa Barbara County Public Health Department (PHD) for Participation in the 340B Drug Pricing Program

("340B") as a STD Entity. The purpose of the MOU is to leverage participation in the 340B drug pricing program to reduce the incidence of sexually transmitted infections and their sequelae.

Background:

Managed by the U.S. Health and Resources Services Administration Office of Pharmacy Affairs, the purpose of the 340B program is to stretch scarce federal resources as far as possible, reaching more eligible patients and providing more comprehensive services. Section 340B(a)(4) of the Public Health Service Act specifies which covered entities are eligible to participate in 340B program, including STD clinics and recipients of federal grants authorized under U.S. Public Health Services Act Section 318.

As a recipient of the Section 318-authorized U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) STD Prevention and Control for Health Departments (PCHD) grant (PS19-1901), the CDPH STD Control Branch is eligible to participate in the 340B program. CDPH is also able to confer 340B program eligibility to qualifying STD clinics and other eligible organizations who receive in-kind support purchased with CDC STD PCHD base grant funds. This MOU formalizes an agreement by which CDPH STD Control Branch confers eligibility to PHD for participation in the 340B program.

Fiscal Analysis:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this MOU.

Special Instructions:

Please email one (1) Minute Order to PHDGroupContractsUnit@sbcphd.org

Attachments:

Attachment A – Santa Barbara County STD 340B MOU

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