



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: August 18, 2020
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Van Do-Reynoso
Director(s) Public Health Department
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SUBJECT: 340B Drug Discount Program Agreements with Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital
and Santa Ynez Valley 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 and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement with Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital to participate in the drug discount program established under Section 340B of Public Health Services Act, for the period from September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2025 (Attachment A).
- b) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute an Agreement with Santa Ynez Valley Cottage Hospital to participate in the drug discount program established under Section 340B of Public Health Services Act, for the period from September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2025 (Attachment B).
- c) Determine that the proposed actions do not constitute a “Project” within the meaning of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines, because the actions consist of organizational or 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 authorize the Chair to execute Agreements with Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital (SBCH) and Santa Ynez Valley Cottage Hospital (SYVCH) in order to participate in the drug discount program established under Section 340B of Public Health Services Act (the “340B program”).

Background:

To participate in the 340B Program, SBCH and SYVCH must enter into agreements with the County to provide health care services to low income individuals who are not entitled to benefits under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act or eligible for assistance under the State Plan of Title XIX of the Social Security Act.

During the term of this Agreement, SBCH and SYVCH will provide healthcare services to low income individuals who are not entitled to benefits under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act or eligible for assistance under the State Plan of Title XIX of the Social Security Act. SBCH and SYVCH will assure that all patients will receive necessary care, as required by law, in its emergency departments, regardless of ability to pay.

Contract Risk Assessment

Risk to the County is minimal for this agreement. The Public Health Department has the immediate right to terminate this Agreement in the event of a threat or violation of the provisions of Section 340B and any event that jeopardizes the Public Health Department's licensure, accreditation, certification, or reimbursement which event(s) are caused by this Agreement, or if the provisions of Section 340B are materially modified or eliminated.

Performance Measure:

During the term of this Agreement, SBCH and SYVCH agree to timely submit all reports that are required to participate in the 340B Program to Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Office of Pharmacy Affairs, with copies to the Public Health Department.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: N/A

Fiscal Analysis:

There is no fiscal impact to the County with executing these agreements with SBCH and SYVCH.

Staffing Impacts:

There are no staffing impacts from this action.

Special Instructions:

Please execute two (2) original Agreements with Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital and two (2) original Agreements with Santa Ynez Valley Cottage Hospital and retain one (1) of each original Agreement and one (1) Minute Order for pick-up by the department. Please email Kelly.lazarus@sbcpd.org when available for pickup.

Attachments:

- A. Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital 340B Drug Discount Program Agreement
- B. Santa Ynez Valley Cottage Hospital 340B Drug Discount Program Agreement

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