

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
BOARD AGENDA LETTER**



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TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Roger E. Heroux, Director
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Primary Care and Family Health Division
Public Health Department 681-5173
SUBJECT: Professional Services Agreement for Obstetrics and Gynecology

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A.** Execute an Agreement with Lawrence J. Bines, M.D., P.C., a local vendor, to provide obstetrical and gynecological services in the Public Health Department's south coast and Lompoc regions for the period July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2005, in the amount not to exceed \$1,935,452 (FY2002-03: \$634,897; FY 2003-04: \$645,049; and FY 2004-05: \$655,506).
- B.** Execute the First Amendment to the Agreement with Lawrence J. Bines, M.D., P.C., a local vendor, to provide obstetrical services in the Public Health Department's south coast region for the period July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2002, increasing the not to exceed amount by \$60,955 from \$853,776 to \$914,731.
- C.** Execute the First Amendment to the Agreement with Lawrence J. Bines, M.D., P.C., a local vendor, to provide obstetrical and gynecological services in the Public Health Department's Lompoc region for the period August 1, 1999 through June 30, 2002, increasing the not to exceed amount by \$5,760 from \$402,012 to \$407,772.

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan: The recommendation is primarily aligned with Goals No. 2., "A Safe and Healthy Community in Which to Live, Work, and Visit" and No. 5, "A High Quality of Life for All Residents".

Executive Summary and Discussion:

The Public Health Department has enjoyed a strong and effective obstetrics and gynecology (OB/GYN) program by contracting with Lawrence J. Bines, M.D., P.C. The Department needs the services of a physician to act as a lead with the local physician community for the program. The Contractor ensures that physicians staff all clinics pertinent to these services. The Contractor manages the services of these providers and ensures that quality care is provided for approximately 500 deliveries per year. This requires that the Agreement ensures coverage for on-call services. The Contractor provides 24 hours-per-day, 7 days per-week, 365 days-per-year coverage for the south coast region with the participation and cooperation of private obstetricians. The Contractor provides partial on-call coverage for the Lompoc region. Over the past three (3) years this vast network of local providers, overseen and managed by Dr. Bines, has proven effective and of significant benefit to the patients and the County.

Although this service was not bid formally, other local obstetricians were queried informally as to their interest. All other local obstetricians have stated that their respective practices preclude them from devoting the necessary time to oversee the County’s program.

The Contractor provides supervision to mid-level practitioners (nurse midwives) with the OB/GYN Program and also prepares policies and procedures for the Medical Director’s review.

- A. We request that your Board execute an Agreement with Lawrence J. Bines, M.D., P.C., a local vendor, to provide obstetrical and gynecological services in the Public Health Department’s south coast and Lompoc regions for the period July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2005, in the amount not to exceed \$1,935,452. A monthly base amount is for all on-call, call-back, clinical and administrative time. In addition, the contractor will be reimbursed at the State Medi-Cal rate for each delivery for patients registered at the south coast or Lompoc County Health Clinics.

Previously, there were separate agreements with Dr. Bines to provide services in the south coast region and in the Lompoc region. This agreement results in a single contract for services in both regions.

	Base Amount	Deliveries	Total
FY 02/03	\$338,417	\$296,480	\$634,897
FY 03/04	348,569	296,480	645,049
FY 04/05	359,026	296,480	655,506
Total	\$1,046,012	\$889,440	\$1,935,452

- B. On June 27, 2000, your Board executed Agreement BC-01-003 with Lawrence J. Bines, M.D., P.C., to provide obstetrical services in the Public Health Department’s south coast region for the period July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2002. Upon your approval, the First Amendment to Agreement BC-01-003 will increase the not to exceed amount by \$60,955 from \$853,776 to \$914,731. The requested First Amendment is a result of an increase the State Medi-Cal delivery rate from \$481 to \$545 per delivery, which we propose passing through to the provider for deliveries from 7/1/01 to 6/30/02. In addition, it increases the amount to allow for payment for deliveries in excess of the base number in each year.

	Agreement	Amendment	Total
FY 00/01	\$426,888	\$14,400	\$441,288
FY 01/02	426,888	46,555	473,443
Total	\$853,776	\$60,955	\$914,731

On August 24, 1999, your Board executed Agreement BC-00-071 with Lawrence J. Bines, M.D., P.C., to provide obstetrical and gynecological services in the Public Health Department's Lompoc region for the period August 1, 1999 through June 30, 2002. Upon your approval, the First Amendment to Agreement BC-00-071 will increase the not to exceed amount by \$5,760 from \$402,012 to \$407,772. The requested first amendment is the result of increases in the State Medi-Cal delivery rate, which we propose passing on to the provider for deliveries from 7/1/01 to 6/30/02.

	Agreement	Amendment	Total
FY 99/00	\$134,004		\$134,004
FY 00/01	134,004		134,004
FY 01/02	134,004	\$5,760	139,764
Total	\$402,012	\$5,760	\$407,772

Mandates and Service Levels:

The assurance of access to primary care services for indigent patients is mandated by California Administrative Code, Title 17, Chapter 3, Article 2, Sections 1276, 2500, 2501, 2502, 2503 and 2505; California Administrative Code, Title 17, Chapter 3, Subchapter 1; and Section 17000 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. In addition, access for obstetrical and gynecological services for Medi-Cal patients is a requirement for primary care clinics with status as a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC).

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

These actions will not increase the General Fund contribution or use of Special Revenue funds for the Public Health Department. There will also be no impact to the Department's indirect costs or use of A87 Plan County overhead. Funding comes from a mixture of general fund, Medi-Cal, and State Realignment funds, as detailed in the table below. The overwhelming majority of women in the program are Medi-Cal eligible.

Source	Percentage	Amount
General Fund	3%	\$ 73,547
Realignment	5%	81,289
FQHC Medi-Cal and Self-Pay	92%	1,780,616
Total	100%	\$1,935,452

The FY 02-03 allotment is included in the south coast, Lompoc, and Santa Maria regional clinic cost centers of the Family Health and Primary Care Division shown on page D-170 of the adopted County operating plan for FY 2002-03. Future allotments will be included in the Department's proposed budgets for FY 2003-04, and FY 2004-05.

There is no impact on facilities.

Special Instructions:

Please FAX the fully executed signature page to: Victoria Blunt, Public Health Department (681) x5424