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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA LETTER

Department Name:

County Health

Department Number:

041

Agenda Date:

July 14, 2026

Placement:

Administrative Agenda

Estimated Time: N/A

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TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Director: Mouhanad Hammami, County Health

Signed by:
Mouhanad Hammami
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CONTACT: Paola Hurtado, Division Chief of Primary Care and Family Health

SUBJECT: First Amendment to the Hospitalist and Outpatient Professional Services Agreement with Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital

Concurrences:

County Counsel Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence:

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute the First Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital (a local vendor) for hospitalist and outpatient professional services (Attachment A). The Amendment will authorize the County

to receive an amount not to exceed \$88,000 from Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital, and revise the Statement of Work for the period of July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027;

- b) Approve and authorize Budget Revision BJE#0011111 in the amount of \$88,000 to increase revenue and expenditure allocations in the County Health Department's FY 2026-27 budget (Attachment C); and
- c) 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)(4) of the CEQA Guidelines, because the actions consist of the creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities, which do not involve any 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 authorize the Chair to execute the First Amendment to the Agreement with Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital for hospitalist and outpatient services in Santa Barbara County. The Amendment will provide the County Health Department (CHD) with up to \$88,000 from Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital for CHD's support and supervision of first-year residents who join during the academic year falling within FY 2026–27 and will revise the Statement of Work for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

Discussion:

The current Hospitalist and Outpatient Professional Services Agreement with Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital provides hospitalist and outpatient services, for the performance period July of 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027. As part of this Agreement, CHD provides an ambulatory care setting for Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital residents to gain experience across a broad range of clinical care encounters.

The First Amendment to the Agreement aligns service delivery with program needs for the upcoming year while continuing to meet the Health Resources and Services Administration's hospital admitting arrangement requirements. It also streamlines staffing support while maintaining the same level of supervision by supervising physicians. The First Amendment reduces the number of clinic sessions and the number of IM residents assigned to CHD. The level of support includes a team of supervising physicians, nurses, medical assistants, administrative office professionals, and technical support. To continue providing training for the residents, CHD will need support to operate the clinic sessions the residents rotate through. The First Amendment will allow CHD to receive funding from Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital to support and supervise its first-year residents in FY 2026–27.

Background:

CHD and Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital have a long-standing collaborative relationship that supports the provision of both outpatient and hospital-based medical services for uninsured and underinsured residents of Santa Barbara County, while also offering valuable clinical training experiences for participants in the Cottage Hospital Residency Program. Through Graduate Medical Education (GME) programs in surgery and internal medicine, physicians in training gain experience caring for diverse patient populations in both outpatient clinics and hospital settings.

The original Agreement began decades ago with the closure of the old County Hospital. The current Hospitalist and Outpatient Professional Services Agreement with Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital covers the performance period of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2027, at no cost to either party.

The community continues to benefit from this enduring partnership and from the opportunity to receive care from recently graduated medical students who bring current clinical knowledge and contemporary medical practices to their training and service.

Performance Measure:

Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital agrees to practice effective and high-quality medicine and agrees to establish and define measurements of quality indicators in an effort to meet contemporary quality measurements and indicators of outcomes, which can be monitored and reported. The residents are expected to attend the clinic sessions that are assigned to them by the Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital Residency Program with an expected number of patients to manage based on their year of training. The Internal Medicine Residents spend three academic years, and the Surgical Residents spend 5 years.

The County Health Department supports a Medical Practices Committee (Committee) which oversees clinical and quality operations for the health care center system. This Committee produces an annual Medical Quality Improvement Plan, which incorporates performance measures for the Health Care Centers (HCC), providers, including the residents associated with this Agreement, and patient populations. The Committee develops goals for these measures and reviews reports quarterly, reassessing the improvement plans, and revising actions to be taken as necessary to reach the goals. These activities result in documentation that supports the Community Health Center Uniform Data Set, and all other required program reporting.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Executing this amendment and approving BJE-0011111 will allow CHD to receive \$88,000 from Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital for its support and supervision of the first-year residents in the Cottage Hospital Residency Program. This revenue will help cover salaries and benefits costs for administration of the Residency Program in FY 2026-27. A budget revision is necessary to increase Miscellaneous Revenue and Salaries and Employee Benefits appropriations in CHD’s FY 2026-27 budget.

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Source	FY 2026-2027	Total
Other Source	\$88,000	\$88,000
Total	\$88,000	\$88,000

Special Instructions:

Please email an executed copy of the First Amendment to the Agreement with Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital and Minute Order to PHDGROUPContractsUnit@sbcpd.org.

Attachments:

Attachment A - Agreement between Santa Barbara County and Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital for Hospitalist and Outpatient Professional Services First Amendment (Signature Needed)

Attachment B - Agreement between Santa Barbara County and Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital for Hospitalist and Outpatient Professional Services

Attachment C - BJE - 0011111

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