



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Santa Barbara, CA 93101
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Department Name: Public Health Dept.
Department No.: 041
For Agenda Of: 12/5/2006
Placement: Administrative
Estimate Time:
Continued Item: NO
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director(s) Elliot Schulman, MD, MPH
Contact Info: Jane Overbaugh, Deputy Director, Primary Care & Family Health
SUBJECT: Revenue Agreement with American Lung Association of California

County Counsel Concurrence:

As to form: Yes No N/A

Auditor-Controller Concurrence:

As to form: Yes No N/A

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes No N/A

Recommended Action(s):

That the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors:

Approve and authorize the Chair to execute a revenue agreement with American Lung Association of California (a local vendor) for funding to provide asthma education in the Santa Barbara and Lompoc Clinics for the period of January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006.

Summary:

The American Lung Association wishes to provide funding to the Public Health Department (PHD) to offset the costs of comprehensive training of selected PHD staff as Asthma Educators to enable them to offer asthma education to PHD patients and to provide medical supplies to uninsured PHD patients.

Background:

The American Lung Association applied for a California Endowment Asthma grant to identify patients with asthma in participating clinic sites and provide asthma education to promote self-care, access to care and improved outcomes. The total grant funding allocated to Santa Barbara and Lompoc Clinics to pilot asthma education for patients diagnosed with asthma shall not exceed \$46,000.

When PHD began participation in this grant, an Asthma Educator employed by Sansum Clinic provided asthma education to PHD patients in the two pilot sites. Since this was a new service offered to County patients, utilizing the experienced asthma educator provided through Sansum permitted the County to benefit from methods that had been successfully employed in other clinical settings. In addition, it was accomplished without the need for new staff or the addition of a significant new workload on existing staff in two very busy clinic settings. The plan was that the Sansum asthma educator would provide training to

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County staff over the course of the grant period building the internal expertise to continue this valuable service to our patients once the grant ended.

During this time, the funding designated for PHD clinics was provided to Sansum under an agreement between the American Lung Association of California and Sansum Clinic. However, during the grant period, the Asthma Educator left her employment with Sansum and another approach was needed for the remainder of the grant period. The PHD sent five employees to the comprehensive “Yes We Can Asthma” training allowing asthma education to be provided using the County clinic staff that attended this training. The PHD requests approval to enter into this agreement with the Lung Association to have the remaining grant funds paid directly to the PHD to offset the staff costs for providing asthma education and to pay for necessary medical supplies for uninsured asthma patients in the two clinics.

Performance Measures:

1. Five PHD staff will receive specialized training to become Asthma Educators.
2. 200 Clinic patients will receive asthma education and related medical supplies.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes No

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other:	\$ 46,000.00		\$ 46,000.00
Total	\$ 46,000.00	\$ -	\$ 46,000.00

Narrative:

Adoption of this action will not increase the use of general fund or Public Health Department special revenue funds. The \$46,000 in funding for this program will come from the Lung Association from a California Endowment grant and will cover all direct and indirect costs associated with this program.

There are no staffing or facilities impacts.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

FTEs:

Special Instructions:

Please return two of three executed original revenue agreements along with a copy of the minute order to PHD Contracts Unit, 300 North San Antonio Road, Building 8, Santa Barbara, CA 93110 **Attn: Margaret Granger (805) 681 5367.**

Attachments:

Agreement for Participation in the California Endowment Asthma Grant between The American Lung Association of California and Santa Barbara County Public Health Department.

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