



**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: November 13, 2018
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Tme:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department: Van Do-Reynoso, MPH, PhD
Director(s): Public Health Department
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Assistant Deputy Director
SUBJECT: Public Health Department and American Indian Health and Services
Memorandum of Understanding

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 considers recommendations as follows:

- a) Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Public Health Department (PHD) and American Indian Health and Services to facilitate patient referrals between the agencies resulting in shared access to dental services at American Indian Health and Services and OB/GYN services at PHD;
- b) Approve and authorize the Public Health Director to extend the MOU between PHD and American Indian Health and Services for up to an additional one year period in accordance with Section 6.A of the MOU; 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)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines, because the actions consist of the organization and administrative activities of the government 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 an MOU with American Indian Health and Services to facilitate referrals from PHD to American Indian Health and Services for dental services, and referrals from American Indian Health and Services to PHD for Specialty Services, including OB/GYN services. This MOU constitutes an in-kind exchange of administration services by each organization.

Any patient billing or third party billing is specified within the MOU as the responsibility of the respective organization.

Background:

PHD and American Indian Health and Services have worked collaboratively for a number of years to provide medical services to the uninsured and underinsured residents of Santa Barbara County. Both organizations are Federally Qualified Health Centers. American Indian Health and Services provides both primary care medical and dental services, and PHD provides both primary care medical and specialty services. Both organizations have provided referrals to the other organization to provide access to both dental services and specialty services. Each organization wishes to better describe and clarify the mutual responsibilities for these referrals through this MOU.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: N/A

Fiscal Analysis:

There is no fiscal impact associated with the American Indian Health and Services MOU.

Special Instructions:

Please execute two (2) original MOUs between PHD and American Indian Health and Services and retain one (1) original MOU and one (1) Minute Order for pick up by the department. Please email the PHD Contracts Unit at phdcu@sbcpd.org when available for pick up.

Attachments:

A. Public Health Department and American Indian Health and Services MOU.

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