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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Shelli Brobst for Randolph F. Snowden - Director
Health & Human Services
REPORT BY: Shelli Brobst, Contracts Analyst, 253-4720
SUBJECT: Agreement with Mary Baracco, RN, CNM

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign an agreement with Mary Baracco, RN, CNM, for a maximum of \$36,000 for the term January 8, 2008 through June 30, 2009 to provide services in the Universal Perinatal Home Visitation Program.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Universal Perinatal Home Visiting Program provides prenatal and home visitation services to pregnant women and newborns in Napa County. These services are provided by a group of partners consisting of Napa County Health and Human Services Agency, Cope Family Center, Queen of the Valley Hospital, and St. Helena Hospital. Approval of the requested action will enable the contractor to coordinate prenatal and home visitation services to pregnant women and newborns in Napa County and provide nurse home visits to participants in the program.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Public Health
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	Approval of the recommended action is discretionary in that there is no mandate to provide these services. HHSA received funding from First 5 Napa County Children and Families Commission and Auction Napa Valley for this purpose. Failure to approve the Agreement will require the funds be

returned to First 5 Napa County Children and Families Commission and Auction Napa Valley, or an alternative plan be developed to deliver the particular services.

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: The agreement terminates June 30, 2009.

Consequences if not approved: If the recommended agreement is not approved, \$36,000 in grant funds will need to be returned to First 5 Napa County Children and Families Commission and Auction Napa Valley or an alternative plan developed.

Additional Information:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

In the Universal Perinatal Home Visiting Program (also known as "Welcome Every Baby"), Napa County Public Health collaborates with community partners Cope Family Center, Queen of the Valley Hospital and St. Helena Hospital to offer services to all infants born to Napa County residents and their families. This program uses Dr. T. Berry Brazelton's Touchpoints Model, a relational strength-based approach, as the conceptual framework. The program follows the Prenatal, Newborn, 3-week, 6-8-week, 4-month, 7-month, 9-month and 12-month Touchpoints format. Nurse home visitors focus on forming empathic and supportive relationships with families to promote attachment and assist parents in getting to know their baby's unique and wonderful capacities and in capturing their passion for their child's development. Grants from the First 5 Napa County Children and Families Commission and Auction Napa Valley have enabled the program to extend visits through the baby's first year and to increase the number of families in the program. Health and Human Services Agency is the lead agency and fiscal agent for the program.

Approval of the recommended action will enable the contractor to provide coordination among the partners and the local medical community. This coordination is essential in order to provide all necessary program services. The contractor will additionally provide nurse home visits to participants in the program.

Also included as part of today's recommended action is a Business Associate Agreement setting forth the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) regulations to which the contractor is subject. This latter agreement provides the County with assurances that the contractor will comply with any and all HIPAA requirements.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Lorenzo Zialcita