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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Shelli Brobst for Randy Snowden - Director
Health & Human Services
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SUBJECT: Purchase of Fixed Assets (Anasazi Hardware)

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of Budget Transfer No. 31 increasing appropriations in the Mental Health budget by \$24,618 with offsetting revenues from the cancellation of a portion of the Anasazi designation and establishment of fixed assets in the amount of \$24,618 for the purchase of four PowerEdge servers. (4/5 vote required)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Approval of the requested actions will allow HHSA to purchase four network servers needed to implement the new Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services billing system from Anasazi Software, Inc. The implementation of the Anasazi system was approved by the Board on July 25, 2006.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	No
What is the revenue source?	The requested equipment will be funded by canceling \$24,618 of the existing Anasazi designation, leaving a balance of \$80,240. This designation had been established for the implementation of this system. A corresponding Budget Transfer has been prepared to increase appropriations in the Mental Health budget to accommodate the expenditure.
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	This is a discretionary activity in that there is no mandate to acquire this specific equipment. However, the servers are necessary to implement the

new Anasazi software system, which will allow HHSa to adequately capture clinical performance outcome measures and to update billing capabilities to meet current State requirements. The servers will be purchased from Dell through a competitively bid government contract.

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: None. These are one-time expenditures.

Consequences if not approved: If this equipment request is not approved, the County will be unable to provide the necessary hardware to implement the Anasazi software program, and the County will have to retain the existing ECHO system, which has serious limitations. Failure to implement a new electronic health record and billing system may impede the County's future ability to maintain compliance with Department of Mental Health Medi-Cal Performance Contract requirements for performance outcome reporting and billing documentation.

Additional Information: The need for servers was included in HHSa's Anasazi project planning, which was submitted to the State with HHSa's Mental Health Services Act Community Services and Supports Plan as a One-time Funding Request. The expenditure was not included in the Agency's requested budget for Fiscal Year 2006-07 because the State did not approve the funding request until July 12, 2006.

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 July 2006, the Board approved an agreement that allows the Health and Human Services Agency to implement an integrated electronic health record and billing system from Anasazi Software for HHSa's Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services programs. The new system adds products and processes absent from the existing ECHO system. The Anasazi system is California-compliant and has already passed acceptance testing in Kern County for Drug Medi-Cal, Medi-Cal and Medicare. It is also in various stages of acceptance and/or implementation in seven other California counties. Client plan tracking as well as other required client data not available in the current ECHO system is included in the new system. Since Anasazi is a web-based program, the Agency will be implementing the same clinical record system throughout its outpatient provider network. This upgrade alone will dramatically improve treatment coordination and billing compliance. Finally, the annual maintenance component of the agreement requires the vendor to make all software improvements necessary to keep the system current with state and federal requirements.

The previously approved agreement included a list of hardware and software that would be needed for the implementation of the Anasazi Software if there were no network infrastructure currently in existence in the County. This list enabled the Health and Human Services Agency, working with the County Information Technology Services Department and Anasazi Software, to perform a gap analysis of what currently exists and what is additionally required to support the implementation of the new system. Approval of the requested actions will allow the Agency to purchase the hardware needed to fill the gaps in the County's network infrastructure to support the system implementation.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Lorenzo Zialcita