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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
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SUBJECT: Subgrant Agreements regarding the Health Resources Services Administration (HRSA) National Bioterrorism Hospital Preparedness Program

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the following subgrant agreements regarding the Health Resources Services Administration (HRSA) National Bioterrorism Hospital Preparedness Program, not to exceed a cumulative maximum of \$404,247, and each for the term April 1, 2005 through August 30, 2006:

1. Agreement with St. Helena Hospital;
2. Agreement with Napa State Hospital;
3. Agreement with Community Health Clinic Ole;
4. Agreement with Queen of the Valley Hospital of Napa California;
5. Agreement with Napa County Ambulance Service, Inc., dba Angwin Community Ambulance; and
6. Agreement with Napa Ambulance Services, Inc., dba Piner's.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

With funds from the Health Resources Services Administration passed through the California Department of Health Services, Napa County has been designated the fiscal agent to purchase equipment and arrange trainings to build the capacity for local clinics and hospitals to respond to public health emergencies. The County of Napa is responsible for facilitating the application, accepting funds and purchasing equipment that is given to and maintained by the clinics and hospitals. These subgrant agreements outline the County's responsibility to purchase specified equipment for local providers.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes

Is it currently budgeted?	No
What is the revenue source?	Health Resources Services Administration allocation provided specifically for this purpose.
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	If these agreements are not approved, an alternative plan for the use of funds will need to be developed and approved by the State. Otherwise, the funding will revert to the State.
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	None.
Consequences if not approved:	See above.
Additional Information:	No funding is given to hospitals and clinics through these agreements; instead, equipment is purchased and provided to these entities.

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

The Health Resources Services Administration (HRSA) provides funds to states via cooperative agreements for hospital and supporting health care systems to deliver coordinated and effective care to victims of terrorism and other public health emergencies. The funding is intended to upgrade the capabilities of health care entities and develop a multi-tiered system to respond to incidents requiring triage, mass immunization, isolation, decontamination, diagnosis and treatment resulting from terrorism and other public health emergencies. The funding this year will address surge capacity beds, pharmaceutical caches, personal protection and decontamination, communications, training and exercises.

The term dates for these agreements coincide with the term dates of the grant agreement with the State. The State program began slowly, and funding that was to be issued in Fiscal Year 2003-2004 was not issued until Fiscal Year 2004-2005. Because of delays in statewide ordering procedures, all of the funds were not spent in Fiscal Year 2004-2005. Therefore, the State has approved carryover of the funds until August 30, 2006.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Lorenzo Zialcita