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# NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

FROM: Shelli Brobst for HOWARD HIMES - Director

Health & Human Services Administration

REPORT BY: Shelli Brobst, Contracts Manager - 253-4720

SUBJECT: Renewal Agreement with On The Move, Inc. {Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (MAA)}

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the renewal of Agreement No. 8019 with On The Move, Inc., for a maximum of \$26,665 for the term July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 to provide assistance with outreach, enrollment, retention and utilization of Medi-Cal for all potentially eligible children/families in Napa County.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Approval of the recommended action will enable the County's Health and Human Services Agency to continue a community-wide effort to outreach and enroll uninsured and potentially eligible residents in Medi-Cal coverage and link them to needed health/behavioral health services. The essential component of this effort is subcontracting with qualified and interested Community Based Organizations (CBOs) to perform Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (MAA). Currently, many CBOs are the first doors low-income individuals and families walk into for services including information, referral and facilitation of application for public aid. Services such as these may be reimbursable under the MAA program. HHSA is the MAA administrator and the link to federal reimbursement.

On The Move is a local vendor.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes

Is it currently budgeted? Yes

Where is it budgeted? HHS- Health Care Enhancement Program

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Discretionary

Discretionary Justification: This agreement is discretionary in that there is no mandate to contract with

this provider. However, this agreement will allow Health and Human Services to continue a community-wide effort to outreach and enroll uninsured and potentially eligible residents in Medi-Cal coverage and link them to needed

health/behavioral health services.

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: The agreement terminates June 30, 2015.

Consequences if not approved: If this action is not approved, the contractor will be unable to provide Medi-Cal

Administrative Activities in the community.

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**

Medi-Cal Administrative Activities, or MAA, is the proper and efficient administration of the Medi-Cal State Plan. The Medi-Cal State Plan identifies the Department of Health Care Services as the single state agency responsible for administering the federal Medicaid program (Medi-Cal in California) and also lays out the eligibility criteria for beneficiaries and the services that can be provided. Essentially, every activity and service that is to be claimed for federal financial participation (FFP) must be covered in the state plan. MAA, also provided for in the state plan and implemented through the 1995 Medi-Cal Administrative Claiming (MAC) agreement, are the activities that support the overall Medi-Cal system such as connecting potential individuals to eligibility and services, planning related to system capacity and general administration.

The Local Government Agency (LGA), or the designated entity responsible for administering MAA locally, is Napa County Health and Human Services Agency. The LGA may subcontract with CBOs and other local agencies to perform MAA.

In September 2013, HHSA launched a community-wide effort to outreach and enroll uninsured and potentially eligible residents in Medi-Cal coverage and link them to needed health/behavioral health services. The essential component of this effort is subcontracting with qualified and interested CBOs to perform MAA. Currently, many CBOs are the first doors low-income individuals and families walk into for services including information, referral and facilitation of application for public aid. Services such as these may be reimbursable under the MAA program. HHSA is the MAA administrator and the link to federal reimbursement.

This effort also supports expanded eligibility for Medi-Cal under the Affordable Care Act, which has resulted in increased numbers of residents becoming eligible for Medi-Cal. On The Move, Inc. is well regarded by the communities it serves and is very accessible to the target population, making it a perfect vehicle to have a positive, proactive impact in reaching the uninsured.

This agreement is presented late to the Board due to contract discussions with the vendor regarding the potential scope of services to be provided.

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## **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Karen Collins