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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 Queen of the Valley Medical Center (Drug Testing)

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign an agreement with Queen of the Valley Medical Center, Inc., for a maximum of \$10,000 for the term March 18, 2008 through June 30, 2008, with a provision for automatic annual renewal, to provide drug testing services for clients of the Child Welfare Services Division.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Approval of the requested action will enable the contractor to provide drug testing to clients of the Health and Human Services Agency's Child Welfare Services Division when ordered by the Juvenile Dependency Court.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Social Services
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	Approval of the requested action is discretionary in that there is no mandate for this specific vendor to provide services. However, approval of the recommended agreement will enable HHSA to pay for Court-ordered drug testing services administered and supervised by medical personnel instead of HHSA staff, saving significant staff time for other child welfare activities. If approved, the contract will be funded by reducing the Child Welfare Services Division's usage of an existing drug-testing contract that required HHSA staff

to administer the tests. Total drug-testing costs will remain within the total amount budgeted for Court-ordered services for the fiscal year.

Is the general fund affected? Yes

Future fiscal impact: Although the agreement terminates June 30, 2008, it contains an automatic annual renewal provision, which provides the County the option to continue these services into the next fiscal year. Appropriations will be budgeted accordingly.

Consequences if not approved: If the agreement is not approved, HHSA will be unable to pay for Court-ordered drug testing services by Queen of the Valley Medical Center, and HHSA staff will have to continue administering the tests.

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

Parents of children - and occasionally youth - in the child welfare system are randomly ordered by the Juvenile Dependency Court to be tested for drugs. Approval of the requested action will enable the Queen of the Valley Medical Center (QVMC) to provide the Court-ordered drug testing and urine analysis services. Under the terms of the recommended agreement, QVMC will observe the collection of urine, maintain chain of custody, and provide testing results to the Health and Human Services Agency's Child Welfare Services Division. Test results are used by HHSA staff in making recommendations regarding the health and welfare of dependent children to the Juvenile Dependency Court.

Although the Agency has an executed Business Associate Agreement on file with this provider for other County agreements, the new agreement is not subject to HIPAA. The contractor is not providing services under this agreement as a Business Associate to a Covered Component of the County.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Lorenzo Zialcita