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## NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Shelli Brobst for Randolph F. Snowden - Director  
Health & Human Services  
**REPORT BY:** Shelli Brobst, Contracts Analyst, 253-4720  
**SUBJECT:** Renewal Agreements with Community Health Clinic Ole and Queen of the Valley Medical Center  
(Indigent Care)

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the renewals of the following agreements to provide indigent medical services, each for the term July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008:

1. Agreement No. 3740 with Community Health Clinic Ole for a maximum of \$95,000; and
2. Agreement No. 3741 with Queen of the Valley Medical Center for a maximum of \$70,000.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Approval of Agreement No. 3741 with the Queen of the Valley Medical Center will enable the provision of outpatient emergency room treatment, inpatient physician and hospital care, speciality care, and case management to indigent residents of the County. Approval of Agreement No. 3740 with the Community Health Clinic Ole will enable the provision of mandated primary physical health care services to indigent patients referred from the Queen of the Valley Medical Center's Emergency Room after emergency/urgent specialty care has been rendered by that facility.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

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| Is there a Fiscal Impact?         | Yes           |
| Is it currently budgeted?         | Yes           |
| Where is it budgeted?             | Public Health |
| Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? | Discretionary |

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| Discretionary Justification:  | This is a discretionary activity in that there is no mandate to contract with these providers. Napa County is mandated to provide indigent medical care. Funds provided to Clinic Ole and Queen of the Valley Medical Center under these agreements helps the County meet the State's mandate. |
| Is the general fund affected? | No   |
| Future fiscal impact:         | Both of these agreements terminate June 30, 2008.  |
| Consequences if not approved: | If these agreements are not approved, the County will not be able to provide indigent medical care through these contractors, possibly leading to the County not being able to meet its mandated responsibility towards the County's indigent population.                                      |
| Additional Information:       | These agreements are budgeted at the same level as the prior fiscal years.   |

### **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 Medically Indigent population in the County of Napa is defined as those individuals who do not have access to health insurance or do not qualify for a public program due to income, immigration status, or other factors. These two agreements assists the County in meeting the state mandate that counties must provide medical services to their indigent population (Section 17000 of the Welfare and Institutions Code).

#### Renewal of Agreement No. 3740:

Clinic Ole provides primary care to those who have no other options and might not seek care otherwise. Emergency follow up services are also provided to indigent patients referred from the Queen of the Valley Medical Center's Emergency Room after emergency/urgent specialty care has been rendered by that facility. Funds provided under this agreement are used to cover partial salary costs for clinical staff, including that of a nurse practitioner and physician, in providing direct patient services. Clinic Ole is required to submit quarterly reports to let the County know how the funds have been spent.

#### Renewal of Agreement No. 3741:

The County entered into an initial agreement with Queen of the Valley Hospital (QVH), now Queen of the Valley Medical Center, in Fiscal Year 1995-1996 to provide medical services to indigent patients. Services provided under this contract include outpatient emergency room treatment, inpatient physician and hospital care, diagnostic testing and orthopedic procedures, specialty care on a 24-hour on-call basis, and case management. Under this agreement, the hospital agrees to continue participating in the County Medical Services Program (CMSP) and Medi-Cal programs and to maintain its standing as an indigent health care provider under federal regulations during the term of the contract.

The Agency has executed Business Associate Agreements on file for these providers.

### **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Lorenzo Zialcita