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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:** Amendment to Agreement with George Monteverdi, M.D.

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. 6302 with George Monteverdi, M.D., increasing the amount by \$39,000 for a new maximum of \$78,000 and revising the insurance requirements and the contractor's auditing tool to provide medical consultation services in the California Children's Services and Medical Therapy Unit Programs.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Dr. Monteverdi provides medical consultation services for the California Children's Services and Medical Therapy Unit programs in the Health and Human Services Agency. Approval of the requested action will increase the maximum amount to allow Dr. Monteverdi to provide additional consultation services, modify the insurance provisions to eliminate the requirement for the contractor to maintain his own general liability insurance, and remove the requirement for the audit of medical records, since this task is now completed by HHSA program staff.

### **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? | Mandatory  |
| Is the general fund affected?     | No   |
| Future fiscal impact:             | This agreement will be reviewed annually by the department.                    |
| Consequences if not approved:     | If this agreement is not approved, mandatory services will not be provided and |

the County could lose funding for the California Children's Services Administrative function, which is approximately \$450,000 per year.

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**

The California Children's Services (CCS) program provides case management and authorization of treatment services for children with certain physical limitations and diseases (cancer, transplants, congenital disorders and other conditions). Eligibility determination is made by the program's licensed medical staff (nurses and physicians). The program is paid for by California taxpayers and offers medical care to children whose families meet prescribed lower income guidelines. The administration of the State's CCS program is a partnership between local county health departments and the State of California.

The Medical Therapy Program (MTP) provides medically necessary physical and occupational therapy (PT and OT) and medical therapy conference (MTC) services to children with medically eligible handicapping conditions related to cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy, rheumatoid arthritis, and other conditions. The MTC team physicians are specialists experienced in the treatment of physically handicapped children. The team performs examinations and prescribes physical and occupational therapy, durable medical equipment and other necessary medical interventions required to treat the children's eligible diagnoses. Physical and occupational therapists work for the County in the Medical Therapy Unit (MTU), which is located at McPherson School as part of an interagency agreement with the California Department of Education.

Dr. Monteverdi provides medical consultation services for both, the CCS and the MTP programs. Approval of the requested action will increase the maximum amount for Fiscal Year 2007-2008 only. The maximum amount for Fiscal Year 2006-2007 remains unchanged. The increase in the maximum dollar amount is due to the recent resignation of the other HHS contract physician. Dr. Monteverdi will now be the sole CCS Medical Consultant.

Approval of the requested action will also modify the contract's insurance requirements to waive the requirement for the contractor to maintain general liability insurance. (It should be noted, however, that Dr. Monteverdi has malpractice coverage under the County's professional liability insurance policy.) Approval of the requested action additionally will remove the audit tool regarding the review and timeliness of medical records, since this task is now performed by HHS program staff.

The Agency has an executed Business Associate Agreement on file with this provider.

### **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Lorenzo Zialcita