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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: Renewal Agreement with Children's Health Initiative, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the renewal of Agreement No. 6725 the Children's Health Initiative Napa County, Inc., for a maximum of \$100,000 for the term July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008, with an option to renew for one final year, to increase access to health care and health care coverage for children from birth through the age of 18.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Approval of the requested action will renew the agreement with Children's Health Initiative (CHI) to increase access to health care and health care coverage for children from birth through the age of 18. In accordance with the Board's commitment made in 2005 to allocate \$100,000 per year for three years to CHI, this agreement provides the second year of Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement funding for this initiative, with an option to renew the agreement for one final year.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Health & Human Services
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	The requested action is discretionary in that there is no mandate to distribute Master Settlement Agreement funds for specific purposes or to specific entities. In June 2001, the Board adopted a plan to distribute through a community grant process \$750,000 per year from funds deposited in the

Tobacco Settlement Trust Account. The Board further determined that if the annual interest generated by the trust account came to exceed \$750,000, the entire amount of interest earned in that year would be distributed.

In 2005, the Board increased the annual Master Settlement Agreement allocation from \$750,000 to \$800,000. The Board's action then also committed to allocate \$100,000 per year for three years to the Children's Health Initiative (CHI). The same action left \$700,000 to be awarded in Fiscal 2006-2007 to other grantees. Approval of the requested action will provide a second year of Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement funding for CHI, with an option to renew the agreement for one final year.

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: Although the agreement with Children's Health Initiative terminates June 30, 2008, it contains a provision that allows the County the option to renew the agreement for one final year.

Consequences if not approved: If this agreement is not approved, the Board will need to determine alternative grant recipients. Alternatively, the Board has full discretion over the Master Settlement Agreement funds and the Board can thus decide however to appropriate, or not appropriate, said funds.

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

In 2005, the Board committed to allocate the amount of \$100,000 per year for three years in Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement (MSA) funding to the Children's Health Initiative (CHI). The Children's Health Initiative Napa County (Napa County CHI) works collaboratively with other agencies to create a strong and efficient private/public system in Napa County in which all children from birth through the age of 18 who are living below 300% of the Federal Poverty Level will have access to affordable health insurance coverage, a medical provider network that serves as a medical "home," and an integrated system of outreach, enrollment, retention, utilization, and case management. CHI is a community-wide collaborative of 32 organizational and individual members and is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization governed by a 14-member Board of Directors. Napa County CHI provides a means for community-wide communication, input and accountability on children's health issues. This agreement specifically provides funds for a Health Access Services Coordinator and for an Executive Assistant position (each .75 FTE) that will be crucial to the development, maintenance and evaluation of the private/public health access system.

No HIPAA Business Associate Agreement is required in connection with this agreement. While the parties to this agreement may individually be subject to HIPAA, neither party is performing a service for or on behalf of the other party that involves the use or disclosure of protected health information. Therefore, no business associate relationship between the parties, as defined by HIPAA, exists nor is required.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Lorenzo Zialcita