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## NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Alice Hughey for Randolph F. Snowden - Director  
Health & Human Services  
**REPORT BY:** Shelli Brobst, Contracts Analyst, 253-4720  
**SUBJECT:** Actions regarding the Bay Area Regional Immunization Registry (BARR)

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Director of Health and Human Services requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the renewal of revenue Agreement No. 6762 with the California Department of Health Services for a maximum of \$33,250 for the term July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 to fund implementation of the Bay Area Regional Immunization Registry (BARR) program.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Approval of the requested action will allow Napa County to receive state immunization funds for the development and implementation of the Bay Area Regional Immunization Registry (BARR) automated immunization information and reminder system. BARR is a member of the Statewide Immunization Information System, which is California's statewide immunization registry network. Plans are under way to integrate California's regional immunization registries so that information can be exchanged through the State and the number of duplicate immunizations can be reduced. The state revenue that HHSA receives will offset a portion of one of the Health Education Specialist positions in HHSA's Public Health Division, who will work on the implementation of BARR.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	Public Health
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	Approval of this agreement is discretionary in that there is no mandate to provide these services. The agreement will allow the County to receive funding

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	to implement the Bay Area Regional Registry electronic immunization records program and fund a portion of a Health Education Specialist position.
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	The agreement terminates June 30, 2008.
Consequences if not approved:	If this agreement is not approved, the County will not receive revenue from the State to implement the Bay Area Regional Registry electronic immunization records program, nor receive funding for a portion of a Health Education Specialist position, and HHSa will not be able to implement the BARR program or fund the position.
Additional Information:	This funding provides 40% of the Health Education Specialist position funding. The remainder of this position is funded by Realignment funds.

### **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**

CDHS is providing funding to Napa County to implement the Bay Area Regional Registry (BARR) electronic immunization records program. BARR is a member of the Statewide Immunization Information System, which is California's statewide immunization registry network. Plans are under way to integrate California's regional immunization registries so that information can be exchanged through the State and the number of duplicate immunizations can be reduced. Napa Public Health is the lead agency in the County to enroll local providers in the BARR electronic database, which includes immunization, tuberculin skin test and patient information. Additionally, Public Health will provide initial training for physician offices in the use of the BARR system, ongoing support and updates from the State.

Approval of the revenue agreement with the State will allow the County to receive funding for a portion of one of the Agency's Health Education Specialist positions. The Health Education Specialist will enroll providers in the registry and work with the State to provide reports and feedback as the project continues to be developed and improved throughout the State.

### **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Molly Rattigan