



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Health System



Date: June 5, 2015
Board Meeting Date: July 7, 2015
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Jean S. Fraser, Chief, Health System
Srija Srinivasan, Director, Family Health Services

Subject: Agreement with California Department of Public Health for the California Home Visiting Nurse-Family Partnership Program

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing an agreement with the California Department of Public Health to provide funding for the California Home Visiting Nurse-Family Partnership Program for the term of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2019, in an amount not to exceed \$4,636,608.

BACKGROUND:

Under the California Department of Public Health, the California Home Visiting Program (CHVP) was created as a result of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010. Family Health Services (FHS) has been receiving CHVP funding for its Nurse-Family Partnership Program (NFP) for over four years.

NFP is an evidence-based nurse home visiting program with over 38 years of research to support its efficacy in positively impacting the life trajectory of first-time mothers and their children. Using a client-centered, strengths-based approach, nurses work with families for up to 30 months with 64 planned home visits, providing an intensive level of support that has proven positive outcomes. Nurses serve families across various domains: personal health, environmental health, parenting, life course development, relationships with family and friends, and community connections. NFP's goals are to improve: (1) pregnancy outcomes; (2) child health and development; and (3) the economic self-sufficiency of the family.

Research data gathered at the state and national levels shows lasting positive impacts for NFP families more than 12 years after they exit the program. Outcomes have included: 48% reduction in child abuse and neglect; 59% reduction in child arrests at age 15; 72% fewer convictions of mothers; 56% reduction in emergency room visits for

accidents and poisonings; and 67% reduction in behavioral and intellectual problems at age 6. In a recent 2014 JAMA Pediatrics article, NFP was found to reduce preventable causes of death among children and all causes of death among mothers.

DISCUSSION:

New CDPH contracting processes now require four-year contracts, rather than annual funding agreements, for all local CHVP funds. As a result, FHS is bringing this agreement to your Board for approval.

The Resolution contains the County's standard provisions allowing amendment of The County's fiscal obligations by a maximum of \$25,000 (in aggregate). The agreement and Resolution have been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form. The County's Contract Compliance Committee has approved a waiver for four years contract agreement.

This agreement is late due to delays at the State level in distributing contracts to local agencies.

The approval of this agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by providing home visiting to at-risk young mothers and children. It is anticipated that 100 families will be enrolled within 15 months of program implementation and maintained throughout the duration of the program.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

Measure	FY 2014-15 Estimated	FY 2015-16 Projected
Number of families enrolled within 15 months of program implementation and maintained throughout the duration of the program	100	100

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of this agreement is July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2019. The amount of the agreement is not to exceed \$4,636,608 for the four-year term. Funds in the amount of \$1,256,652 are included in the FHS FY 2015-16 Recommended Budget. Similar arrangements will be made in future FHS budgets. The NFP's Net County Cost of the NFP Program is \$277,443, which represents the costs of the program that are not covered by the allocation.