



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Health System



Date: January 7, 2013
Board Meeting Date: February 26, 2013
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Jean S. Fraser, Chief, Health System
Susan Ehrlich, MD, MPP, Chief Executive Officer, San Mateo Medical Center

Subject: Agreement with Chris Threatt, MD

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing an agreement with Chris Threatt, MD to provide urology services for the term of February 1, 2013 through January 31, 2014, in the amount of \$240,000.

BACKGROUND:

San Mateo County is responsible for providing necessary medical care to its medically indigent population. This care includes disorders of the kidney, urethral tract, and bladder and the management and supervision of those services.

Bay Area Urology Medical Group (BAU) provided urology services at San Mateo Medical Center (SMMC) until September 1, 2011. Due to changes within the group, BAU ceased providing scheduled clinic, surgery and call coverage for SMMC. For the next year SMMC relied on locum tenens to provide urology services and on Dr. Chris Threatt to provide weekend call coverage.

DISCUSSION:

Effective October 1, 2012, Dr. David Martin agreed to serve as SMMC's Chief of Urology. He provides four half-day clinics, each of four hours in length, as well as two half-day surgery blocks, approximately four hours in length, each week. He also provides call coverage from Tuesday 8:00 a.m. until Friday at 5:00 p.m. for 48 weeks per year.

Dr. Threatt will provide urology coverage from Friday at 5:00 p.m. until Tuesday at 8:00 a.m. in the form of Emergency Department (ED) call coverage and every other Monday. Dr. Threatt will provide either a surgery or clinic block on a weekly basis.

County Administrative Memorandum B-1 provides that contracts for physicians are exempt from the Request for Proposals process.

The contract was delayed because the Contractor did not return the agreement in a timely manner.

SMMC also requests that your Board authorize the Chief of the Health System or designee to execute contract amendments which modify the County's maximum fiscal obligation by no more than \$25,000 (in aggregate), and/or modify the contract term and/or services so long as the modified term or services is/are within the current or revised fiscal provisions.

The Agreement and Resolution have been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form. The contractor has also assured compliance with the County's Contractor Employee Jury Service Ordinance, as well as all other contract provisions that are required by County ordinance and administrative memoranda, including but not limited to insurance, hold harmless, non-discrimination and equal benefits.

This Agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by providing access to urology services to residents of San Mateo County. It is anticipated that 100% of all urology surgery services provided will adhere to the infection control standards as defined by the Joint Commission and Title 22 of the State of California Code of Regulations, which will result in reduced risk of healthcare-associated infections.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE:

Measure	FY 2011-12 Actual	FY 2012-13 Projected
Adhere to infection control standards as defined by Joint Commission, Title 22, and other applicable standards.	100%	100%

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of this Agreement is February 1, 2013 through January 31, 2014. The maximum fiscal obligation is \$240,000. Funds in the amount of \$100,000 are included in the SMMC FY 2012-13 Adopted Budget and \$140,000 will be included in the SMMC FY 2013-14 Recommended Budget.

Expenses at SMMC are covered by fees for services or third-party payors whenever possible. The portion of expenses for services provided to the medically indigent or to those covered by programs that do not fully meet the costs of care are covered by the County General Fund contribution to SMMC, and are within the existing annual appropriation.