



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Health System



Date: March 21, 2013
Board Meeting Date: April 9, 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: Amendment to the agreement with Lawrence A. Saunders, DDS.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing an amendment to the agreement with Lawrence A. Saunders, DDS to provide oral and maxillofacial surgery services increasing the amount by \$67,000 to an amount not to exceed \$191,000.

BACKGROUND:

On December 13, 2011, your Board approved an agreement with Lawrence Saunders, DDS to provide oral and maxillofacial surgery services at San Mateo Medical Center (SMMC) for the term May 1, 2012 through April 30, 2014, in the amount of \$100,000. Dr. Saunders provides regular one-day clinics as well as emergency on-call services. On May 8, 2012, your Board approved an amendment to expand the scope of services to include dental services for the County's Correctional Health Division and increase the amount payable by \$24,000 to a new maximum amount of \$124,000.

DISCUSSION:

Due to the current economic climate, the demand for oral and maxillofacial surgery has increased since the time the original agreement was executed on December 13, 2011. Since May of 2012, SMMC has requested that Dr. Saunders work more than the two one-day clinics per month listed in the original agreement in order to reduce the backlog of patients requiring oral and maxillofacial surgery. The increase in the maximum amount of the agreement will address the additional clinics he has worked through February 2013 and will fund the increase in the number of one-day clinics from two up to five. This amendment is anticipated to reduce the remaining backlog of 200 patients. This amendment will increase the amount by \$67,000 to a new maximum amount of \$191,000 to allow for payment of the additional clinic days. The rate paid for Dr. Saunders' services remains unchanged.

The contractor has 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 oral and maxillofacial surgery services to residents of San Mateo County. It is anticipated that the wait time for the next appointment will be reduced to 1 month.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE:

Measure	FY 2012-13 Actual	FY 2013-14 Projected
Wait time for the next appointment	2.5 months	1 month

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of this agreement is May 1, 2012 through April 30, 2014. The maximum fiscal obligation is \$191,000. Funds in the amount of \$91,000 are included in the SMMC FY 2012-13 Adopted Budget and funds in the amount of \$86,000 will be included in the SMMC FY 2013-14 Recommended Budget. This contract is administered by SMMC, but the portion of expenses associated with Correctional Health inmates will be reimbursed to SMMC.

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.