



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Health System



Date: August 26, 2013
Board Meeting Date: September 17, 2013
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: Jean S. Fraser, Chief, Health System
Subject: Continuation of Contracts

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Controller to continue payments on Health System contracts from July 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013.

BACKGROUND:

To ensure continued provision of services during the period following the adoption of the annual budget, it is necessary to authorize the Controller to continue to make payments to contractors at the existing rates. On June 19, 2013 your Board approved Resolution 072580 that allowed continuation of payments to selected contractors through September 30, 2013. The Health System has two contracts for services that are still pending completion. The contracts listed in the proposed Resolution, will be completed and submitted for approval by your Board by the end of December 2013.

DISCUSSION:

This Resolution extending the authority to pay on Health System contracts allows the continuation of necessary services in a timely fashion and will allow the Health System the time needed to complete complex negotiations. All the terms and conditions shall remain in effect during the term of the continuing resolution.

The two remaining contracts included in the Resolution are for services provided through Behavioral Health and Recovery Services and San Mateo Medical Center. The contracts have been in negotiation since April 2013. The issues that surround the negotiations define best practices for quality service delivery. We expect to bring these contracts to your Board by December 10, 2013.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Resolution as to form.

Approval of this Resolution contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by enabling the Health System to continue to provide a continuity of services to the community until final negotiations can be completed.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Funds for the annual costs of these contracts have been included in the Health System FY 2013-14 Recommended Budget.