

COUNTY OF SAN MATEO Inter-Departmental Correspondence Health System



Date:July 24, 2014Board Meeting Date:September 9, 2014Special Notice / Hearing:NoneVote Required:Majority

- To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
- From: Jean S. Fraser, Chief, Health System SaraT L. Mayer, Director Public Health, Policy and Planning
- **Subject:** Agreement with the California Department of Public Health for Centers for Disease Control, Hospital Preparedness Program, and Cities Readiness Initiative Grants

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a Resolution authorizing an agreement with the California Department of Public Health to provide public health emergency preparedness, for the term of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017, in an amount not to exceed \$3,101,550.

### **BACKGROUND:**

Federal funds have been made available through the states for the enhancement of the nation's public health emergency preparedness and response infrastructure. These funds are to be used for emergency planning, training, exercises and practice drills; laboratory supplies and equipment; disease and outbreak surveillance; vaccination and anti-viral distribution; and the development of pharmaceutical caches and hospital emergency stockpiles.

For many years, the Health System has consulted and coordinated with the County Office of Emergency Services regarding the activities associated with this agreement.

## DISCUSSION:

In July 2014, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) awarded the Health System four grants for health emergency preparedness. Under these grants for FY 2014-15 through 2016-17, the Health System will continue to work in the following key areas: general health emergency planning; epidemiological and disease surveillance enhancements; technological improvement implementations; an all-hazards plan development; laboratory supplies and equipment purchases; emergency training, exercises and drills for public health and clinical staff; and coordination of emergency preparedness activities for hospitals. One of the grants is specific to pandemic influenza planning, drills and exercises. The remaining three grants are for public health and hospital planning, drills, and exercises and for stockpile accumulation.

This item is late because CDPH did not send the agreement to the Health System until July 17, 2014.

The agreement and Resolution have been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form.

Approval of this agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by providing funds to continue planning for public health emergency preparedness and other emerging public health threats to the County. It is anticipated that by the end of FY 2014-15, 90% of Health System managers will have participated in the Federal Emergency Management Agency emergency management Incident Command Structure courses.

## PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

Measure	FY 2013-14 Actual	FY 2014-15 Projected
Percentage of Health System	85%	90%
managers who have participated in the		
Federal Emergency Management		
Agency emergency management		
Incident Command Structure courses.		

# FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the agreement is July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017. The amount of the agreement is not to exceed \$3,101,550 for the three-year term. Funds have been included in the Public Health, Policy and Planning FY 2014-15 Recommended Budget. Similar arrangements will be made for future years. Because the County is receiving these funds, there is no Net County Cost associated with this agreement. As required in the terms of the agreement, all funds received will be placed in the Local Public Health Preparedness Trust Fund that was established for this purpose.