



**COUNTY OF SAN MATEO**  
Inter-Departmental Correspondence  
Health System



**Date:** July 13, 2015  
**Board Meeting Date:** September 1, 2015  
**Special Notice / Hearing:** None  
**Vote Required:** Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors  
**From:** Louise Rogers, Chief, Health System  
Srija Srinivasan, Director, Family Health Services

**Subject:** Acceptance of Five Grants for Oral Health Collaborative Strategic Funding

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the acceptance of five Grant Awards from First 5 San Mateo County, Sequoia Healthcare District, Ravenswood Family Health Center, Apple Tree Dental, and the San Mateo County Dental Society to fund strategic planning for the term of July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 in the amount of \$36,000.

**BACKGROUND:**

The San Mateo County Oral Health Coalition (Coalition) exists to improve the oral health status of the County's traditionally underserved and vulnerable populations. To that end, the Coalition's efforts are directed toward increasing the capacity of the County's public and private primary care safety net system to deliver preventive and restorative oral health services, while identifying the systemic impediments to adequate oral health care and developing strategies for addressing those impediments.

The Coalition reviews dental related materials and program issues, makes recommendations, and advises the Board of Supervisors. The Coalition also helps to identify local dental resources, evidence-based research, and gaps in accessing services, while supporting financial opportunities for the stakeholders and collaborative initiatives.

The last Coalition strategic plan was completed in 2000. The health services delivery landscape and the populations that utilize services have greatly changed in the County since 2000. In addition, the state and federal government more strongly emphasize improving the oral health status of the population.

Family Health Services (FHS) is a member of the Coalition and is functioning as its fiscal agent. On behalf of the Coalition, FHS issued a Request for Quote in June 2015 with the goal of obtaining consulting services for the development of the Coalition's new 5-10 year strategic plan.

**DISCUSSION:**

In addition to \$30,000 granted to this initiative from Measure A funding, the following community partners have provided one-time Grant Awards:

- First 5 San Mateo County - \$15,000
- Sequoia Healthcare District - \$10,000
- Ravenswood Family Health Center - \$5,000
- Apple Tree Dental - \$5,000
- San Mateo County Dental Society - \$1,000

These Grant Awards and Resolution have been reviewed and approved by County Counsel.

These Grant Awards contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by providing funding to support oral health strategic planning activities to improve oral health outcomes in San Mateo County.

Because the Coalition is at a very preliminary stage in this strategic planning process, no performance measures are available at this time. However, the Coalition's final strategic plan will incorporate performance measures relevant to improving oral health outcomes countywide.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The amount of funding provided by First 5 San Mateo County, Sequoia Healthcare District, Ravenswood Family Health Center, Apple Tree Dental, and the San Mateo County Dental Society is \$36,000. Revenues and expenditures for the Grant Award have been included in the Family Health Services FY 2015-16 Recommended Budget. There is no net county cost.