



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Health System



Date: April 7, 2014
Board Meeting Date: May 6, 2014
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Jean S. Fraser, Chief, Health System
Lisa Mancini, Director, Aging and Adult Services

Subject: Amendment to the Agreement with Self Help for the Elderly

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing an amendment to the agreement with Self Help for the Elderly to provide congregate nutrition, home-delivered meals, information and assistance, and Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program services, increasing the amount by \$91,378 to an amount not to exceed \$499,862.

BACKGROUND:

On July 23, 2013, the Director of Aging and Adult Services (AAS) authorized an agreement with the community-based organization Self Help for the Elderly, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000. Under this agreement, Self Help for the Elderly was to provide congregate nutrition, home-delivered meals, and information and assistance services to individuals 60 years and older, as well as home-delivered meals to individuals under 60 years. This agreement was for only a three-month term (July 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013) due to anticipated changes in funding structures and reporting requirements as a result of the federal sequester of Older Americans Act (OAA) funding.

On September 10, 2013, your Board approved an amendment increasing the agreement amount by \$238,179, extending the term of the agreement through June 30, 2014, and increasing the level of services to correspond with the longer term and service requirements for the Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP). HICAP is a volunteer-supported program providing three basic services: community education, lay counseling, and advocacy related to Medicare. HICAP is an integral component of California's community-based long-term care system. Medicare beneficiaries, those under 65 who are about to become eligible for Medicare, and those who are disabled and on Medicare are eligible for HICAP services.

On February 25, 2014 your Board approved a Resolution for an amendment to the agreement increasing the amount by \$46,716 due to one-time-only funding received from the state for HICAP services.

On March 3, 2014 the Director of AAS approved an amendment to the agreement increasing the amount by \$23,589 due to Federal Alignment funding received from the state for HICAP services.

DISCUSSION:

AAS is requesting your Board to authorize an amendment to an agreement with Self Help for the Elderly. The amendment would increase HICAP, home-delivered meals, congregate nutrition, and information and assistance programs for county elderly and disabled residents. This increase in service levels is made possible by increased federal and state funding including reallocation of unexpended state funds; partial restoration of pre-sequestration federal nutrition funding; and a one-year Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act grant.

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

Approval of the agreement with Self Help for the Elderly contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by providing congregate nutrition, home delivered meals, information and assistance and HICAP services to older adults and adults with disabilities. It is anticipated that 95% of HICAP service recipients will report that they have gained useful knowledge and that their personal lives have improved as a result of HICAP services.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

Measure	FY 2013-14 Actual	FY 2014-15 Projected
Percent of HICAP service recipients that feel they have gained useful knowledge regarding their Medicare coverage as a result of HICAP services	95%	95%

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the agreement remains July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014. This contract amendment increases the agreement by \$91,378 to a total agreement amount not to exceed \$499,862. This increase of \$91,378 is comprised of \$72,567 from federal and state OAA funds, \$12,511 from federal and state Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act funds, and \$6,300 from partial restoration of pre-sequestration federal nutrition funding. There is no Net County Cost.