



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: HEALTH

File #: 19-024

Board Meeting Date: 1/8/2019

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Louise F. Rogers, Chief, Health System
Lisa Mancini, Director, Aging and Adult Services

Subject: Amendment to the Agreement with the California Department of Aging for Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program Services

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing an amendment to the agreement between the County of San Mateo and the California Department of Aging (CDA), increasing the amount of funds accepted by the County by \$30,008, in an amount not to exceed \$912,222.

BACKGROUND:

Your Board designated the County's Aging and Adult Services division (AAS) as the Area Agency on Aging for San Mateo County to carry out state-funded programs pursuant to the federal Older Americans Act of 1965. On April 25, 2017, your Board approved the updated FY 2016-2020 Area Plan for Services for Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities.

Board approval of the Area Plan for Services for Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities allows the County to receive state funding to provide Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program (HICAP) services. HICAP is a volunteer-supported program that provides three basic services: community education, lay counseling, and Medicare health insurance advocacy and counseling.

As an integral component of the County's community-based, long-term care system, HICAP connects eligible citizens to Medicare health insurance. Medicare beneficiaries, those under 65 who are about to become eligible for Medicare, and those who are disabled are eligible for HICAP services.

On June 6, 2017, your Board approved an agreement with CDA to accept Older Americans Act funds for HICAP services for the term July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2020, in the amount of \$929,731. On March 13, 2018, your Board approved an amendment with CDA for a \$47,517 reduction of funds accepted for these services.

DISCUSSION:

This second amendment increases the funds from CDA by \$30,008 for HICAP services over three years. This restores some funds from the prior reduction to the federal State Health Insurance Program grant. A resolution and execution of an amendment is necessary to remain in compliance with CDA's requirements to receive the funds.

AAS requests that your Board authorize and execute the amendment for an aggregate total amount not to exceed \$912,222.

AAS also requests your Board to authorize the Chief of San Mateo County Health or her designee to execute any other amendments and also subsequently execute individual provider agreement amendments and/or modify the contract term and/or services so long as the modified term or services is/are within the current or revised fiscal provisions, including future One-Time-Only funds or additional funds received and allocated for the contract period.

The amendment and resolution have been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form.

This agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by providing home and community-based services to individuals aged 60 and above. It is anticipated that 195 individuals will receive HICAP counseling and find the service helpful and necessary in making an informed decision about their Medicare coverage options.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE:

Measure	FY 2018-19 Estimated	FY 2019-20 Projected
Number and percentage of HICAP service recipient respondents who find the HICAP counseling service helpful and necessary in making an informed decision about their Medicare coverage options	80%	80%
	195 respondents	195 respondents

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of this agreement is July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020. The amount of CDA funds accepted under the revised agreement is \$912,222 over three years. This amendment increases the total funds accepted by \$30,008. These funds have been included in the AAS FY 2018-2019 Adopted Budget. There is no Net County Cost associated with this agreement.