



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: HEALTH

File #: 19-810

Board Meeting Date: 8/6/2019

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Louise F. Rogers, Chief, San Mateo County Health
Chester J. Kunnappilly, MD, Chief Executive Officer, San Mateo Medical Center

Subject: Agreement with Renata Jarosz, DO to Provide Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Services

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing an agreement with Renata Jarosz, DO to provide physiatry services for the term of September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$340,000.

BACKGROUND:

Since September 2014, Dr. Renata Jarosz has provided musculoskeletal clinic and physical medicine (physiatry) services for San Mateo Medical Center (SMMC). The main purpose of these services is to diagnose and treat patients with complex musculoskeletal pain syndromes and to triage referrals to orthopedic surgery pain management and neurosurgery services. These services ensure that only surgical patients are referred to orthopedics and neurosurgery, and physiatry patients are treated non-surgically. Because patients are now appropriately sorted, patients in both the surgical and non-surgical settings are seen more quickly.

DISCUSSION:

Under the terms of the agreement, Dr. Jarosz will continue to provide physiatry services five days each week to SMMC patients. In addition, Dr. Jarosz also will serve as Medical Director of Physiatry and Rehabilitation Medicine, as well as Medical Director for the Physical and Occupational Therapy Departments.

County Administrative Memorandum B-1 provides that contracts for physicians are exempt from the Request for Proposals process.

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

The resolution contains the County's standard provisions allowing amendment of the County fiscal

obligations by a maximum of \$25,000 (in aggregate).

The agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by providing County residents with access to basic physiatry services. It is anticipated that the amount of time a patient will wait for the third next available orthopedic appointment will be less than or equal to 10 days.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE:

Measure	FY 2018-19 Actual	FY 2019-20 Projected
The amount of time a patient will wait for the third next available orthopedic appointment	≤ 10 days	≤ 10 days

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the agreement is September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020. The amount of the agreement is not to exceed \$340,000 for the one-year term. Funds in the amount of \$284,000 are included in the SMMC FY 2019-20 Recommended Budget. Funds in the amount of \$56,000 will be included in the SMMC FY 2020-21 Recommended Budget.

The payment provisions for this contract are different from the previous contract. Compared to the prior agreement, there is a 4% increase in payment to Dr. Jarosz due to the rate increase for physiatrists, as per the Medical Group Management Association, a tool SMMC uses to benchmark provider rates.

Expenses at SMMC are covered by fees for services or third-party payors whenever possible. The portion of expenses for services provided to the medically indigent or to those covered by programs that do not meet the full costs of care is covered by the County's General Fund contribution to SMMC, and is within the existing annual appropriation.