

# **County of San Mateo**

## Inter-Departmental Correspondence

**Department: HEALTH** 

**File #:** 21-532 Board Meeting Date: 6/29/2021

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: Memorandum of Understanding with Sequoia Healthcare District to Accept Funds for

Oral Health Services

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing a memorandum of understanding with Sequoia Healthcare District accepting funds for oral health services provided by San Mateo Medical Center's dental department, for the term June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$320,000.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The population of the Sequoia Healthcare District (SHD) continues to increase, along with the number of uninsured individuals who need oral health services.

As the County's safety net public hospital, San Mateo Medical Center's (SMMC) mission is to provide oral health services to the uninsured throughout its system of care. Paying for the cost of delivering this care is a perpetual challenge. The SHD has long recognized the need for medical care services of its uninsured residents by providing grants to fund the cost of such services for its residents.

## **DISCUSSION:**

This memorandum of understanding (MOU) will allow SMMC to provide oral health services to an estimated 600 SHD residents each year who are currently on SMMC's Dental Comprehensive Waitlist. SHD will fund these services for the next two years in an amount not to exceed \$320,000.

In accepting the \$320,000 funding, the County agrees to demonstrate on an ongoing basis, that: 1) the population served by these funds resides primarily within SHD's boundaries; and 2) the costs charged against this funding are neither subject to nor eligible for reimbursement through government or private insurance programs. This MOU is coming to your Board late due to prolonged negotiations.

The MOU 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).

It is anticipated that 600 SHD residents will receive oral health services funded by SHD each year.

## PERFORMANCE MEASURE:

Measure	FY 2020-21 Estimated	FY 2021-22 Projected
Number of SHD residents receiving oral health services funded by SHD each year	600	600

## FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the MOU is June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2023. The amount of the MOU is not to exceed \$320,000 for the two-year term. Funds in the amount of \$13,333 are included in the SMMC FY 2020-21 Adopted Budget. Funds in the amount of \$160,000 are included in the SMMC FY 2021-22 Recommended Budget. Similar arrangements will be made for future years. There is no Net County Cost associated with this MOU.