



# County of Monterey

**Item No.**

## Board Report

Board of Supervisors  
Chambers  
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor  
Salinas, CA 93901

**Legistar File Number: A 24-280**

**June 25, 2024**

**Introduced:** 6/3/2024

**Current Status:** Agenda Ready

**Version:** 1

**Matter Type:** BoS Agreement

- a. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for Natividad Medical Center (NMC) or his designee to execute the Professional and Call Coverage Services Agreement with Central Coast Nephrology to provide nephrology services July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2027 for an amount not to exceed \$1,050,000 in the aggregate; and
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### SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

NMC must arrange for care and treatment of patients who present to the emergency department or hospital clinics as well as hospitalized patients in need of medical care in the specialty of nephrology for the diagnosis and treatment of kidney disease. NMC would like to enter into this Agreement with Central Coast Nephrology so that its board-certified nephrologists can provide, 24/7 emergency department call coverage and inpatient consults, at least two half days of clinic per week in the outpatient specialty clinic and administrative services without interruption. NMC has obtained an independent opinion of fair market value supporting the payment terms of this Agreement.

### OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel has reviewed and approved this Agreement as to legal form. Auditor-Controller has reviewed and approved this Amendment as to fiscal provisions. The Agreement has also been reviewed and approved by Natividad Medical Center's Finance Committee and Board of Trustees.

### FINANCING:

The total not to exceed amount for this Agreement is \$1,050,000 for the period July 1, 2024 to June

30, 2027. \$350,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2024/2025. The remaining amount will be budgeted in subsequent fiscal years. Funding will be provided from NMC's Enterprise Fund 451-9600-6608.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

The services rendered in this agreement provide NMC with the additional support it needs in order to provide reliable and high-quality patient care which improves the health and quality of life for patients and their families.

- Economic Development
- Administration
- Health and Human Services
- Infrastructure
- Public Safety

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Approved by: Dr. Charles R. Harris., Chief Executive Officer, 783.2551

Attachments:

Agreement

Attachments on File at the Clerk of the Board

Charles R Harris  
Charles R. Harris, M.D., Chief Executive Officer

6/14/2024  
Date