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Board Report

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RECOMMENDATION:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

The Child Support Enforcement Program is a federally-mandated, State-supervised, County-administered program where Federal program reimburses all direct and indirect program costs at 66% Federal participation rate and State provides remaining 34% of local program cost. The Monterey County Department of Child Support Services provides services including the establishment of paternity, obtaining child support orders, obtaining health insurance provisions and enforcing child support orders.

This Plan of Cooperation defines responsibilities of the State DCSS and County of Monterey (Local Child Support Agency) for securing child support, including child support establishment, collection, and disbursement services; medical support; determining paternity; and providing other public services in accordance with the provisions of Title IV-D of the Social Security Act (SSA).

This POC will commence on October 1, 2015, and is subject to renewal or amendment as necessary to reflect new or revised state and federal laws, regulations, and requirements.

This POC may be amended by a written agreement of both parties if required by changes in policies or directives that may occur during the term of this POC.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

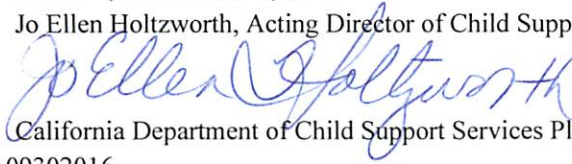
County Counsel and the Auditor-Controller have reviewed and approved this Plan of Cooperation (POC) as to legal form and fiscal provisions respectively.

FINANCING:

The program is fully funded by Federal (66%) and State (34%) funds and approval of this action has no impact on the County General Fund contributions. Estimated revenues related to this POC are included in the Child Support Services' adopted budget for FY 2015-16. If adjustments are required to the FY15-16 Adopted Budget, a separate board action will be submitted for Board approval.

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Attachments: California Department of Child Support Services Plan of Cooperation FFY 2016_10012015-09302016