

MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MEETING:	May 11, 2010	AGENDA NO.:	18
SUBJECT:	Authorize the Purchasing Manager for Natividad Medical Center (NMC) to execute an Agreement with HT Systems for HT Systems Patient Secure Biometric Patient Identity Management System Installation and Maintenance Services at NMC in an amount not to exceed \$175,000 for the period May 1, 2010 to April 30, 2013.		
DEPARTMENT:	Natividad Medical Center		

RECOMMENDATION:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Patient Secure, HT Systems' biometric patient identification system, supplies a secure and unique means for identifying each patient by scanning his or her palm. This identification (which is more reliable than a fingerprint) enables the healthcare provider to associate the patient to his or her medical record. The system vastly decreases the possibility of patient misidentification. The recommendation is to engage HT Systems, an industry leader in the patient identification field, to install their Patient Secure application.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Agreement has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel, the Auditor/Controller's office, and the Natividad Medical Center Board of Trustees' Finance Committee.

FINANCING:

The cost for this Agreement is \$175,000; \$50,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2009/2010 approved Capital Budget. Amounts for remaining years of the Agreement will be included in those budgets as appropriate. This action will not require any additional General Fund subsidy.

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April 9, 2010
Attachments: Agreement, Board Order



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