

MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MEETING:	July 21, 2009	AGENDA NO.:	13
SUBJECT:	Authorize the Purchasing Manager for Natividad Medical Center (NMC) to execute Amendment #2 to the Agreement with First Databank for Pharmacy Software Licensing Services in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 for the period January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2010.		
DEPARTMENT:	Natividad Medical Center		

RECOMMENDATION:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

First Databank provides NMC with the industry's most comprehensive drug databases. Important components include the allergy and drug-drug interaction database which is integrated with NMC's Meditech system and provides up-to-date drug information to NMC pharmacists. All First DataBank databases are supported by a level of clinical and IT expertise that's unmatched in the industry. At present First Databank databases are the most comprehensive and trusted drug knowledge, including NDDF Plus, one of the industry's most widely used and highly regarded sources of drug information. The databases also provide descriptive drug information, unique identifiers and pricing data, NDDF Plus offers an extensive array of clinical decision-support modules. The monthly updates are crucial for NMC to provide the safest care to our patients in real time. The start date of this contract reflects continued provision of services under a prior contract during ongoing contract negotiations. The vendor will not accept the standard County insurance and indemnification terms, none the less; NMC considers the contract essential to the delivery of high quality patient care and recommends approval of the contract despite the non-standard terms.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Amendment has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel, the Auditor/Controller's Office and the Natividad Medical Center Board of Trustees.

FINANCING:

The cost for this Amendment is \$30,000 and is included in the NMC FY 2008-09 Approved Budget and the FY 2009-10 Recommended Budget. This action will not require any additional General Fund subsidy above the Approved Budget.

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May 26, 2009
Attachments: Board Order, Amendment #2
Original Agreement



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