



# County of Monterey

Item No.

## Board Report

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

Legistar File Number: A 25-108

April 29, 2025

Introduced: 4/8/2025

Current Status: Agenda Ready

Version: 1

Matter Type: BoS Agreement

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer for Natividad Medical Center (NMC) or his designee to execute renewal and amendment No.1 to the agreement (A-15919) with Peninsula Histopathology Laboratory, Inc. For laboratory services, extending the agreement an additional Twelve (12) month period (April 18, 2025 through April 17, 2026) for a revised full agreement term of April 18, 2022 through April 17, 2026 and adding \$300,000 for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

#### **It is recommended the Board of Supervisors:**

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer for Natividad Medical Center (NMC) or his designee to execute renewal and amendment No.1 to the agreement (A-15919) with Peninsula Histopathology Laboratory, Inc. For laboratory services, extending the agreement an additional Twelve (12) month period (April 18, 2025 through April 17, 2026) for a revised full agreement term of April 18, 2022 through April 17, 2026 and adding \$300,000 for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.

### **SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:**

PenLab will provide tissue processing and staining services for Natividad Medical Center in order to meet histology processing needs. Natividad Pathology will provide fresh tissues fixed in formalin. The tissue block processing and slide preparation will be performed at PenLab's facility.

One H&E slide will be produced from each paraffin block received unless otherwise specified on the submitted order sheet. Additional H&E stained sections, special stained sections, or immunohistochemical stained sections from previously processed blocks may also be requested. The slides shall be returned with the next scheduled delivery. Samples are expected to be processed by PenLab with a 24 hour turn around time to Natividad pathologists for microscopic interpretation.

### **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

The Office of County Counsel has reviewed and approved this renewal and amendment No. 1 as to form, and the Auditor-Controller has reviewed and approved as to payment provisions. The renewal and amendment No. 1 has also been reviewed and approved by NMC's Board of

Trustees Executive Committee on April 11, 2025.

**FINANCING:**

The cost for this renewal and amendment No. 1 is \$1,200,000 of which \$ 300,000 is included in the FY 2024-25 Adopted Budget. Amounts for remaining years of the agreement will be included in those budgets as appropriate. Funding will be provided from NMC's Enterprise Fund 451-9600-6608.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:**

The laboratory support services provided by PenLab is part of the health and human services strategic initiative. The histology processing provided by Peninsula Laboratory provides the necessary support that Natividad would otherwise struggle to provide. Histology processing by PenLab allows Natividad to provide Anatomic Pathology service to patients.

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

Prepared by: Arthur Tiongson, Clinical Laboratory Manager 783-7760

Approved by: Charles R. Harris, Chief Executive Officer, 783-2553

Attachments:

Peninsula Histopathology Laboratory, Inc. Renewal and Amendment 1  
Peninsula Histopathology Laboratory, Inc. Agreement

Attachments on file with the Clerk of the Board