



# County of Monterey

Item No.

## Board Report

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

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May 13, 2025

Introduced: 4/16/2025

Current Status: Agenda Ready

Version: 1

Matter Type: BoS Agreement

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- b. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer for NMC or his designee to sign up to three (3) future amendments to this Agreement where the total amendments do not significantly change the scope of work, do not cause an increase of more than 10% (\$10,000) of the original contract amount and do not increase the total not to exceed amount above \$1,510,000.

### RECOMMENDATION:

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### SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

In order to meet the scheduling needs of NMC's busy labor and delivery unit with over 200 deliveries per month and various outpatient clinics, it requires a team of obstetrics and gynecology (OBGYN) physicians including employed and independent contractor physicians. Natividad has an agreement with Dr. Wright to provide OBGYN services from time to time as needed, however, Dr. Wright has covered more than initially anticipated due to multiple leave of absences and other coverage needs in the Department. NMC wishes to amend the agreement to add funds so that Dr. Wright can continue to provide these critical services without interruption. NMC has obtained an independent opinion of fair market value supporting the payment terms.

### OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel has reviewed and approved this Amendment as to legal form. Auditor-Controller has

reviewed and approved this Amendment as to fiscal provisions. The Amendment has also been reviewed and approved by NMC's Board of Trustees Executive Committee on April 11, 2025.

FINANCING:

The cost of this Amendment is \$400,000. The total cost of this Agreement is \$1,500,000 for the period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2026. \$400,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2025/2026 recommended budget. 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:

Third Amendment  
Second Amendment  
First Amendment  
Agreement

Attachments on File at the Clerk of the Board