



County of Monterey

Item No.

Board Report

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

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August 29, 2023

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Matter Type: BoS Agreement

- a. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer for Natividad Medical Center (NMC) to execute the Professional and Call Coverage Services Agreement with Monterey Bay GI Consultants to provide gastroenterology services for an amount not to exceed \$800,000 for the period September 1, 2023 to September 30, 2025; and
- b. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer for NMC to sign up to three (3) amendments to this agreement where the total amendments do not significantly change the scope of work, do not exceed 10% (\$80,000) of the original contract amount and do not increase the total contract amount above \$880,000.

RECOMMENDATION:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

NMC must arrange for care and treatment of patients who present to the emergency department and hospitalized patients in need of medical care in the specialty of gastroenterology. Natividad would like to enter this Agreement with Monterey Bay GI Consultants for which board certified gastroenterologists provide gastroenterology call coverage in the emergency department along with other panel members to ensure sufficient coverage of the service twenty-four hours per day, seven days a week, including all holidays.

The group is paid a daily rate for call coverage services according to the terms of the Agreement. The amount of services provided may increase due to availability and need for coverage, but the rate of pay will remain the same for the term of the Agreement. NMC has obtained an independent opinion of fair market value supporting the payment terms of this Agreement.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

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

reviewed and approved this Agreement as to fiscal provisions. The Agreement also been reviewed and approved by Natividad Medical Center's Finance Committee and Board of Trustees.

FINANCING:

The total cost for this Agreement is \$800,000 for the period September 1, 2023 to September 30, 2025. \$400,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Adopted Budget. The remaining amount will be budgeted in subsequent fiscal years. There is no impact to the General Fund.

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:

Agreement

Attachments on File at the Clerk of the Board

Charles R. Harris

Charles R. Harris, M.D., Chief Executive Officer

8/16/2023

Date