

MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MEETING:	May 11, 2010	AGENDA NO.:	19
SUBJECT:	Authorize the Purchasing Manager for Natividad Medical Center (NMC) to execute Amendment #4 to the Agreement (A-10748) with Jennifer L. D'Attilio MS for Speech Language Pathology Services at NMC in an amount not to exceed \$711,000 (an increase of \$255,000) for the period April 1, 2010 and extending the term date to June 30, 2011.		
DEPARTMENT:	Natividad Medical Center		

RECOMMENDATION:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Jennifer D'Attilio has been providing speech language pathology services at NMC for a period of six years. Services provided include assessment and treatment for both adult and pediatric patients. Also included are Inpatient Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) and outpatient services for children with suspected feeding, swallowing or cognitive deficits as well as language disabilities and autism. Adult services include inpatient and outpatient evaluation of dysphagia, aphasia post stroke, traumatic brain injury and treatment for deficits resulting from surgery, Alzheimer's, Parkinson's disease and trauma.

Speech pathologists work as part of the Natividad team of physicians, nurses and rehabilitation staff to provide services and education. Patients receiving speech and language services have faster recovery and increased functioning in overall communication, language and feeding skills.

The speech therapy department has experienced substantial growth (have exceeded budget by more than 30% for the first two quarters of fiscal year 2010) this fiscal year, and as a result, NMC requests an increase in the previously established purchase order for Jennifer D'Attilio in the amount of \$255,000 which will cover the remainder of FY 2010 and all of FY 2011. The increased workload requires additional staffing provided by the contractor under this contract.

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 \$255,000: \$60,000 is included in the approved FY 2009-10 Budget and \$195,000 will be included in the 2010-2011 Recommended Budget. This action will not require any additional General Fund subsidy.

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Attachments: Agreement, Amendment #4, Board Order



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