

## MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

<b>MEETING:</b> January 11, 2011- Consent	<b>AGENDA NO.:</b> 40
<b>SUBJECT:</b> Approve and ratify the action taken by the Director of Health and the Contracts/Purchasing Officer to sign an Agreement with the Blue Shield of California Foundation for Grant #4572769, in the amount of \$200,000, beginning January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011, for the purpose of implementing the 2010 County Coverage Expansion Planning, Round Two.	
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b> Health – Clinic Services	

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:  
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### **SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:**

California currently reimburses ten (10) counties for services provided to medically indigent adults through the Section 1115 Medi-Cal Waiver's County Coverage Expansion Planning, Round One. The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, signed into law on March 23, 2010, calls for federal health care reform, including an expansion of Medicaid (Medi-Cal) coverage for individuals with income up to 133% of the Federal Poverty Level by 2014. As a result, California is seeking to expand the program and accepted new Round Two Section 1115 Waiver Demonstration Proposals. The Coverage Initiative Expansion Program presents new counties with the opportunity to pave the way to increase health care coverage to county residents who will be affected by the provisions of federal health care reform legislation. The mandated expansion of Medi-Cal eligibility is projected to result in 23,452 Monterey County residents becoming eligible for Medi-Cal by 2014.

On August 18, 2010, the Interim Director of Health and Natividad Medical Center Chief Executive Officer notified the Board of Supervisors and the County Administrative Officer of the intent to submit an application for grant funding to the Blue Shield of California Foundation ("BSCF") to support the planning and development of a county coverage initiative expansion proposal under the provisions of the Section 1115 Medi-Cal Waiver's Health Care Coverage Initiative program.

On December 8, 2010, the BSCF notified the Health Department that it had awarded a grant to Monterey County. In order to obtain funding for 2010, the signed Agreement was required to be returned by December 17, 2010. A memo to the Board advising of the action taken was submitted on December 16, 2010 (Attachment 1). Due to the time constraint to comply with this requirement, the Director of Health signed the Agreement, and the Agreement was circulated for appropriate approvals. County Counsel, Risk Management, the Auditor-Controller, and the Contracts/Purchasing Officer reviewed and approved the Agreement (Attachment 2).

The process will convene key stakeholders and accelerate collaboration to position Monterey County to expand coverage to currently uninsured residents in ways that are sustainable. The Coverage Initiative planning process will enable Monterey County to analyze relevant data and

best practices, determine financial feasibility and identify opportunities for innovation with regard to healthcare coverage for uninsured Monterey County residents.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

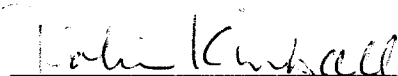
County Counsel, Risk Management, the Auditor-Controller and Contracts/Purchasing have reviewed and approved the Agreement as to legal form, insurance requirements, and fiscal provisions. Agreement and memo to the Board are on file with the Clerk of the Board.

**FINANCING:**

Blue Shield of California Foundation will fund the grant in the amount of \$200,000 for the period January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011; the Health Department will provide an in-kind match of \$115,000, Natividad Medical Center will provide an in-kind match of \$179,000 and the Department of Social Services will provide an in-kind match of \$12,000. The grant does not require a cash match. The recommended board action "does not" include an increase to the revenue and expenditure budgets at this time even though these are new funds previously not included in the FY 2011 Adopted Budget. The budget adjustment will be deferred to later in the fiscal year if needed as directed by the County Administrative Office Budget and Analysis Division. There will be no increase in General Fund Contribution due to the acceptance of this grant.

Prepared by:

Approved by:



Robin Kimball, 796-1386  
Senior Secretary



Ray Bullick, Director of Health

Date: 12-28-10

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Memo to the Board is on file with the Clerk of the Board.  
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cc: Auditor-Controller  
County Administrative Office