



Board Report

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- b. Accept the non-standard Agreement and risk terms regarding limitations on liability, limited warranties, removal of indemnification and insurance provisions, as recommended by the Director of Health; and
- c. Authorize the Director of Health or Assistant Director of Health to sign up to three (3) future amendments that do not exceed ten percent (10%) (\$833) of the original Agreement amount and do not significantly alter the scope of services.

RECOMMENDATION:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Ovid Technologies, Inc. ("Ovid") will provide an annual licensed web-based subscription of Medical Psychiatry Journals to Monterey County Health Department/Behavioral Health Bureau ("BHB"). BHB's recent agreement with Ovid expired September 30, 2018. Approval of the recommended action will provide authorized users to conduct individual research and obtain answers to clinical questions. Authorized users consist of psychiatrists, mid-levels, faculty, nurses and medical professionals who are employed by BHB.

Risk has reviewed and cannot approve the Ovid Technologies, Inc. Agreement. This Agreement removes the County's standard insurance and indemnification provisions, and carries limitation of liability and limited warranties. The Health Department recommends moving forward as this is an Internet-based subscription service that will not require on-site training or assistance. This Agreement provides BHB a log-in website account setup. The Ovid account setup and use does not involve downloading software to any County computer.

This work supports the Monterey County Health Department ("MCHD") 2018-2022 strategic initiative: Engage MCHD workforce and improve operational functions to meet current and developing population health needs, and supports three of the ten essential public health services, specifically: 2) Diagnose and investigate health problems and health hazards in the community; 3) Inform, educate, and empower people about health issues; and 8) Assure competent public and personal health care workforce.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel and the Auditor-Controller have reviewed and approved the Agreement. Risk Management has reviewed and cannot approve the deletion of the County's indemnification and standard insurance provisions, or the limitation of liability, and limited warranties.

FINANCING:

The funds (\$8,330) for this Agreement are included in the Health Department's Behavioral Health Bureau's (HEA012, Unit 8410) FY 2018-19 Adopted Budget.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

Check the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives:

☐ Economic Development:

- Through collaboration, strengthen economic development to ensure a diversified and healthy economy.

☒ Administration:

- Promote an organization that practices efficient and effective resource management and is recognized for responsiveness, strong customer orientation, accountability and transparency.

☒ Health & Human Services:

- Improve health and quality of life through County supported policies, programs, and services; promoting access to equitable opportunities for healthy choices and healthy environments in collaboration with communities.

☐ Infrastructure:

- Plan and develop a sustainable, physical infrastructure that improves the quality of life for County residents and supports economic development results.

☐ Public Safety:

- Create a safe environment for people to achieve their potential, leading businesses and communities to thrive and grow by reducing violent crimes as well as crimes in general.

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Attachment:

Agreement is on file with the Clerk of the Board