



County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
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Salinas, CA 93901

Board Report

File #: A 22-101, Version: 1

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- b. Approve the NMC Interim Chief Executive Officer's recommendation to accept non-standard insurance, limitations on liability, and limitations on damages provisions within the agreement.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Healthcare compliance is the continuous process of abiding by legal, ethical, and professional standards applicable to a healthcare organization. Healthcare compliance requires the effective development of processes, policies, and procedures to define appropriate conduct, educate staff, and monitor adherence to these guidelines. Healthcare compliance encompasses many areas including patient care, reimbursement, billing, managed care, OSHA, and HIPAA privacy and security.

In preparation of the current NMC compliance officer's retirement, this firm is being retained to provide interim hospital compliance services until NMC is able to identify and hire a replacement employee.

On February 1, 2022, the Board of Supervisors approved an earlier version of this agreement. Prior to execution of the agreement, the parties substantially revised the scope of work. NMC has returned to the Board to seek approval of the agreement, as revised.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Office of County Counsel has reviewed and approved this agreement as to form, and the Auditor-Controller has reviewed and approved as to payment provisions.

FINANCING:

The cost for this agreement is \$200,000 of which \$100,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Adopted Budget. Amounts for remaining years of the agreement will be included in those budgets as appropriate.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

This action ensures Natividad's compliance with all applicable state and federal laws requiring compliance leadership and that these essential services will remain available to patients and the community.

- Economic Development
- Administration
- Health and Human Services

Infrastructure
 Public Safety

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Attachments:
Arc Advisors, LLC Agreement

Attachments on file with the Clerk of the Board