



# County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors  
Chambers  
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Salinas, CA 93901

## Board Report

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### **RECOMMENDATION:**

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### **SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:**

Stericycle provides regulated medical waste services for Natividad under this agreement. As medical procedures are performed throughout the facility, waste is generated and separated into several different types of waste streams. The types of waste streams generated under this banner are: red bag (blood or blood product), sharps waste (scalpel blades, broken glass vials, needles, syringes,), pathological waste, trace chemotherapy, bulk chemotherapy, pharmaceutical waste, and RCRA (Resource Conservation and Recovery Act) hazardous medical waste. On average, Natividad generates 18,000 pounds of the waste mentioned above, per month, more so in recent years. There are numerous regulatory requirements surrounding waste removal and State regulations require medical waste removal to be done only by a licensed hauler, which Stericycle is.

This Agreement's services include:

- Bio Hazardous Waste: transportation and processing according to waste stream. Either sterilize and dispose or incinerate waste
- Pathological Waste
- Sharps Management Program
- Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Hazardous Pharmaceutical Waste
- Universal (Pharmaceutical) Waste

Natividad made efforts months before expiration to amend to extend the term, however, Stericycle asked to deviate away from this agreement, requesting to move forward to provide services under the Vizient GPO contract instead. Since some negotiating would have been required proceeding under Vizient, both parties agreed to renew and amend the existing agreement for a while to allow more time to explore the Vizient contract as a possibility.

### **OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

The Office of County Counsel reviewed and approved this renewal and amendment No. 2 as to form, and the Auditor-Controller reviewed and approved as to payment provisions. The renewal and amendment No. 2 was reviewed and approved by NMC's Finance Committee and Board of Trustees on November 12, 2021.

### **FINANCING:**

The cost for this renewal and amendment No. 2 is \$125,000 which is included in the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Adopted Budget.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:**

The services rendered in this agreement ensure Natividad stays compliant with regulatory requirements. Proper medical waste management keeps things safe and sanitary throughout the hospital and the environment.

- Economic Development
- Administration
- Health and Human Services
- Infrastructure
- Public Safety

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**Attachments:**

Stericycle Inc. Renewal and Amendment 2

Stericycle Inc. Renewal and Amendment 1

Stericycle Inc. Agreement

Attachments on file with the Clerk of the Board