

Board Report

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<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>:

It is recommended the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Health Management Associates, Inc. (HMA) is a consulting firm experienced in feasibility studies and program development with a deep knowledge of county hospital system operations and network development. HMA will work with Natividad and Health Department leadership to assist in improving operational and clinical alignment of the Monterey County health portfolio.

HMA will provide guidance regarding; unified planning, strategic partnership development and opportunities for achieving shared operational efficiencies. Specific operational improvements will focus on improving appointment access, patient communication, and quality improvement.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel has reviewed and approved this amendment no. 2 as to legal form, and the Auditor-Controller has reviewed and approved as to payment provisions. This amendment no. 2 has also been reviewed and approved by NMC's Finance Committee on June 28, 2018 and by its Board of Trustees on July 13, 2018.

FINANCING:

The cost for this amendment no. 2 is \$50,000, all of which is included in the Fiscal Year 2018-19 Adopted Budget. Should NMC seek extensions of the original agreement, amounts for any extensions will be included in those budgets as appropriate.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

This agreement is for financial consulting services to explore and implement various approaches to providing healthcare benefits and network designs to lower costs and to direct care to specific provider systems, the outcome of which will contribute to a more efficient use of resources within the organization.

Economic Development \underline{X} Administration

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Health and Human Services

Infrastructure

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Attachments:

Health Management Associates Inc Amendment 2 Health Management Associates Inc Amendment 1 Health Management Associates Inc Agreement

Attachments on file with the Clerk of the Board