

**Board Report** 

### File #: A 19-032, Version: 1

Approve and authorize the Contracts/Purchasing Officer or Contracts/Purchasing Supervisor to execute a noextension Amendment No. 4 to Standard Agreement A-13117 with LocumTenens.com adding \$1,000,000 to period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2019, for a revised total Agreement amount not to exceed \$6,538,959. <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

Approve and authorize the Contracts Purchasing Officer or Contracts/Purchasing Supervisor to execute a noextension Amendment No. 4 to Standard Agreement A-13117 with LocumTenens.com adding \$1,000,000 to period July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2019, a for a revised total Agreement amount not to exceed \$6,538,959.

## SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Locum Tenens are licensed Physicians and Healthcare Professionals who are Board Certified or Board Eligible or have equivalent training and experience. LocumTenens.com provides temporary medical services in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and County laws, rules, regulations, and policies. LocumTenens.com is an agency that provides physician and psychiatric health care placement services. The County of Monterey engages Physicians and Healthcare Professionals who provide Locum Tenens services in areas of critical medical need where enough permanent staffing is not available.

Due to a nationwide shortage of Psychiatrists, Contract Physicians are a hard to fill position. Currently Behavioral Health has many vacancies in this classification. The Bureau relies heavily on Locum Tenens to provide the needed services and care to patients until these vacancies can be filled with permanent staff.

This Amendment No. 4 adds \$1 million assuring that continued provision of essential mental health services, medication support, primary care, and specialty care for clients of Monterey County Health Department's Behavioral Health Bureau.

This Agreement contains the County's standard 30-day "no cause" provision (Section 7.01) and a "good cause" provision effective immediately (Section 7.02).

This work supports the Monterey County Health Department 2018-2022 Strategic Plan initiative: 3) Ensure access to culturally and linguistically appropriate, customer-friendly, quality health services. It also supports one of the ten essential public health services, specifically: 8) Assure competent public and personal health care workforce.

## OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Office of the County Counsel-Risk Management and Auditor-Controller have reviewed and approved this Amendment No. 4 as to legal form and fiscal provisions, respectively.

## FINANCING:

This Amendment No. 4 to A13117 is funded by Realignment and Federal Financial Participation (FFP), 69% and 31%, respectively. The funds for this Amendment No. 4 to A13117 are included in the Health Department Behavioral Health Bureau (HEA012, Unit 8410) Fiscal Year (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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Attachments:

Amendment No. 4 is on file with Clerk of the Board Amendment No. 3 is on file with Clerk of the Board Amendment No. 2 is on file with Clerk of the Board Amendment No. 1 is on file with Clerk of the Board Agreement is on file with Clerk of the Board