



Board Report

File #: A 21-405, **Version:** 1

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- b. Authorize the Interim Chief Executive Officer for Natividad or his designee to sign up to three (3) future amendments to this Agreement where the total amendments do not significantly change the scope of work and do not cause an increase of more than ten percent 10% (\$65,000) of the original contract amount.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Natividad must arrange for care and treatment of hospitalized patients as well as patients who present to the emergency department and hospital clinics in need of medical care in the specialty of gastroenterology. Natividad has an agreement with Advanced Gastroenterology of Monterey County, for which Mumtaz Tabbaa M.D., a board certified gastroenterologist, provides gastroenterology call coverage in the emergency department, endoscopy procedures and outpatient services in the specialty clinic. Natividad wishes to amend the agreement so that Dr. Tabbaa can continue to provide the services without interruption.

Advanced Gastroenterology of Monterey County is paid a rate for services according to the terms of this agreement. Although the amount of services may increase or decrease due to patient volumes and the need for coverage, the rate of pay remains the same. Natividad has obtained an independent opinion of fair market value supporting the payment terms of this Agreement

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

County Counsel has reviewed and approved this Agreement as to legal form. Auditor-Controller has reviewed and approved this Agreement as to fiscal provisions. The Agreement has also been reviewed and approved by Natividad Medical Center's Finance Committee and Board of Trustees.

FINANCING:

The cost of this Amendment is \$650,000. The total cost of this Agreement is \$1,950,000 for the period August 1, 2019 to July 31, 2022 (36 months). \$650,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 adopted budget, the remaining balance will be budgeted in the subsequent fiscal year. There is no impact to the General Fund.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

The services rendered in this agreement provide NMC with the additional support it needs in order to provide reliable and high quality patient care which improves the health and quality of life for patients and their families.

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

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Approved by: Charles R. Harris, Interim Chief Executive Officer, 783.2553

Attachments:

Second Amendment

First Amendment

Agreement

Attachments on file at the Clerk of the Board