



# County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors  
Chambers  
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor  
Salinas, CA 93901

## Board Report

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### RECOMMENDATION:

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### SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

Vigilant Neuromonitoring will provide 24 hours per day, 7 day a week intraoperative neurophysiological monitoring (IOM) on an as needed basis to patients undergoing orthopedic, ENT, vascular, neurosurgical and spinal procedures. IOM allows technicians to observe, in real time, a patient's neurophysiology during a surgical procedure. This monitoring provides information to the surgeon and staff as to the integrity of the patient's nervous system during surgery. Oversight is provided with the transfer of live data through HIPAA compliant connections during the procedure. The technicians apply electrodes (surface and subdermal) on the patient to achieve appropriate signals. Once the signals are received, the technician monitors the patient's nervous system via computer during the procedure. This provides the surgeon valuable information regarding the integrity of the nervous system as they proceed through the case. Natividad would like to enter into an Agreement with Vigilant to provide neuromonitoring services, thus reducing the risk of injury to patients during delicate surgeries.

### OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

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

### FINANCING:

The cost for this Agreement is \$200,000 of which \$100,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Adopted Budget. Amounts for remaining years of the Agreement will be included in those budgets as appropriate. There is no impact to the General Fund.

### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

The services rendered in this agreement provide Natividad 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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Attachments:

Agreement