

# **County of Monterey**

## Item No.

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

September 23, 2025

### **Board Report**

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a. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for Natividad Medical Center (NMC) or his designee to execute the Professional and Call Coverage Services Agreement with Advanced Gastroenterology of Monterey County Medical Corporation to provide gastroenterology services for an amount not to exceed \$1,352,000 for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2027; and b. Authorize the CEO for NMC 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, do not exceed 10% (\$135,200) of the original contract amount and do not increase the total contract amount above

#### RECOMMENDATION:

\$1,487,200.

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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#### SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

NMC must arrange for care and treatment of hospitalized patients as well as patients who present to the emergency department and outpatient clinics in need of medical care in the specialty of gastroenterology. NMC wishes to enter into a new agreement with Advanced Gastroenterology of Monterey County Medical Corporation, for which Mumtaz Tabbaa M.D., a board-certified gastroenterologist will provide gastroenterology call coverage in the emergency department along with other panel members to ensure sufficient coverage of the service twenty-four hours per day, seven days a week including holidays as well as endoscopy procedures and outpatient services in the specialty clinic.

Advanced Gastroenterology of Monterey County Medical Corporation 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. NMC 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 total cost of this Agreement is \$1,352,000 for the period October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2027 (24 months). \$676,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2025/2026 adopted budget, the remaining balance will be budgeted in the subsequent fiscal years. Funding will be provided from NMC's Enterprise Fund 451-9600-6608.

#### **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.

Attachments on File at the Clerk of the Board