



County of Monterey

Item No.14

Board Report

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

Legistar File Number: A 25-324

August 26, 2025

Introduced: 7/25/2025

Current Status: Natividad Medical Center -
Consent

Version: 1

Matter Type: BoS Agreement

- a. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for Natividad Medical Center (NMC) or his designee to execute the First Amendment to the Professional and Call Coverage Services Agreement (A-16552) with Monterey Bay GI Consultants Medical Group, Inc. to provide gastroenterology services, adding \$800,000 for a revised not to exceed amount of \$1,600,000 and extending the term by 24 months (October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2027) for a revised full agreement term of September 1, 2023 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% (\$80,000) of the original contract amount, and do not increase the total contract amount above \$1,680,000.

RECOMMENDATION:

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

NMC must arrange for care and treatment of patients who present to the emergency department and hospitalized patients in the need of medical care in the specialty of gastroenterology. Natividad would like amend this Agreement with Monterey Bay GI Consultants Medical Group, Inc. so that its board-certified gastroenterologists can continue to 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.

The group is paid a daily rate for call coverage services according to the terms of the Agreement. The amount of services provided may increase due to availability and need for coverage, but the rate of pay will remain the same for the term of the agreement. NMC has obtained independent opinion of fair

market value supporting the payment terms of this agreement.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

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

FINANCING:

The cost of this Amendment is \$800,000. The total not to exceed amount of this Agreement is \$1,680,000 for the period September 1, 2023 to September 30, 2027. \$400,000 is included the Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Adopted Budget. 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.

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

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Approved by: Dr. Charles R. Harris, Chief Executive Officer, 783.2551

Attachments:

First Amendment
Agreement

Attachments on file at the Clerk of the Board