



County of Monterey

Item No.

Board Report

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
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Matter Type: BoS Agreement

- a. Approve and authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to execute a non-standard Agreement with the University of Pittsburgh of the Commonwealth System of Higher Education to provide access to the National Retail Data Monitor (NRDM), a public health surveillance tool created by the University of Pittsburg that collects and analyzes over-the-counter drug sales to identify disease outbreaks, effective April 12, 2024, to April 11, 2025, for a total Agreement amount of \$1,520; and
- b. Approve a non-standard Agreement as recommended by the Director of Health Services; and
- c. Approve and authorize the Director of Health Services or designee to sign up to three future amendments where the combined amendments do not exceed 10% (\$152) of the original amount and do not significantly change the scope, total not to exceed a maximum of \$1672.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the County of Monterey Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY DISCUSSION:

The National Retail Data Monitor (NRDM) collects and analyzes de-identified sales data of select over-the-counter products from national and large regional retail pharmacies. The data is used to provide situational awareness and aid in identifying infectious disease outbreaks in the community.

The University of Pittsburg offers annual subscription access to NRDM data from 33 contributing retail stores in Monterey County at the current rate of \$46.04 per store. Access to the NRDM platform and data will be limited to staff in the Public Health Epidemiology & Surveillance Unit to support infectious disease outbreak investigation and surveillance activities.

This work supports the County of Monterey Health Department 2018-2024 Strategic Plan goals:

2. Enhance public health and safety through prevention, and 4. Engage Health Department workforce and improve operational functions to meet current and developing population health needs. It also

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supports four of the ten essential public health services, specifically: 2. Investigate, diagnose, and address health problems and hazards affecting the population, and 7. Assure an effective system that enables equitable access to the individual services and care needed to be healthy, and 9. Improve and innovate public health functions through ongoing evaluation, research, and continuous quality improvement, and 10. Build and maintain a strong organizational infrastructure of public health.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Office of the County Counsel has reviewed and approved this Agreement as to legal form. Auditor-Controller has reviewed and approved this Agreement as to fiscal provisions.

FINANCING:

Appropriations for this agreement are included in the Health Department’s (HEA003-8124) FY2023-2024 adopted budget and the proposed FY2024-2025 budget. The agreement is funded 100% by a California Department of Public Health Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity grant in FY2023-2024, FY2024-2025, and FY2025-2026.

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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