#### **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**



# Health & Human Services Agency COUNTY OF TULARE AGENDA ITEM

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| <b>AGENDA</b> | DATE: | September | 1, 2009 |
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| Public Hearing Required   | Yes |             | No ⊠     | N/A |                        |   |
|---|-----|-------------|----------|-----|------------------------|---|
| Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk  | Yes |             | No 🗌     | N/A | $\boxtimes$            |   |
| Published Notice Required   | Yes |             | No 🖾     | N/A |                        | ı |
| Advertised Published Notice   | Yes |             | No. 🗌    | N/A | $\boxtimes$            |   |
| Meet & Confer Required  |     |             | No 🛛     | N/A |                        |   |
| Electronic file(s) has been sent  | Yes | $\boxtimes$ | No 🔲     | N/A |                        |   |
| Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached                                      |     |             | No 🗌     | N/A | $\boxtimes$            |   |
| Personnel Resolution attached   |     |             | No 🔲     | N/A | $\overline{\boxtimes}$ |   |
| Resolution, Ordinance or Agreements are attached and signature line for |     |             |          |     |                        |   |
| Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s                                   |     |             | No 🗌     | N/A |                        |   |
|   |     |             |          |     |                        |   |
| CONTACT PERSON: Michelle Brown  | PH  | ONE:        | 737-4660 |     |                        |   |
|   |     |             |          |     |                        |   |

SUBJECT:

Approval of agreement with First 5 Tulare County for the Nurse-Family Partnership.

#### REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Ratify and approve an agreement with First 5 Tulare County for the Nurse-Family Partnership to help first time mothers succeed, retroactive to July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2012. This agreement is retroactive due to inadvertent delays in obtaining authorized signatures on the agreement. It was impracticable for the Board to take action before July 1, 2009 due to the time needed to process, prepare, and submit the agenda item:
- 2. Find that the Board had authority to enter into the proposed agreement as of July 1, 2009 and that it was in the County's best interest to enter into the agreement on that date; and
- 3. Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign three (3) copies of the agreement.

### **SUMMARY:**

The following information is provided by the National Nurse-Family Partnership; Nurse-Family Partnership is an evidence-based community health program that helps transform the lives of vulnerable mothers pregnant with their first child. Each mother served is partnered with a registered nurse early in her pregnancy and

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receives ongoing nurse home visits that continue through her child's second birthday. This evidence-based community health program has proven results including long-term family improvements in health, education, and economic self-sufficiency. While helping low-income families, an investment in Nurse-Family Partnership saves communities more than it costs by reducing welfare, healthcare, and juvenile justice expenditures. For example, the following outcomes have been observed among participants in at least one of the trials of the program:

48% reduction in child abuse and neglect

56% reduction in emergency room visits for accidents and poisonings

59% reduction in arrests at child age 15

67% reduction in behavioral and intellectual problems at child age six

72% fewer convictions of mothers at child age 15

Tulare County Maternal Child Adolescent Health, (MCAH) will work with the Nurse-Family Partnership National Service Office to create a comprehensive and collaborative implementation plan for Tulare County Nurse-Family Partnership Program. Tulare County MCAH will target 100 low income first time young mothers in Tulare County who are no more than 28 weeks pregnant upon entry into the program. Each Public Health Nurse (nurse home visitor) will be assigned 25 clients. The Nurse home visitor will engage a therapeutic nurse-client relationship focused on promoting the client's abilities and behavior change to protect and promote her own health and well-being and that of her child; including thorough prenatal care from their healthcare providers, improving their diets, and reducing their use of cigarettes, alcohol, and illegal substances.

We would like to bring the following item to the Board's attention that deviates from County Contract Protocol; section 12 of this agreement calls for mutual indemnification.

# **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

Under this agreement, Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) will receive \$1,875,000 from First 5 Tulare County for Fiscal Years 2009/2010 through 2011/2012. Revenue and expenses in the amount of \$653,845 for Fiscal Year 2009/2010 is included in the Fiscal Year 2009/2010 proposed budget. Revenue and expenses for Fiscal Years 2010/2011 and 2011/2012 in the amounts of \$601,551 and \$619,604 respectively, will be included in those Fiscal Years proposed budgets. No Net County Cost.

# LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF TULARE STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN:

The County's five-year strategic plan includes the Quality of Life Initiative that encourages innovative provision of quality supportive services for at-risk adults, youth and children in state and federally mandated programs. This Agreement increases the ability to fulfill that obligation.

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# **ALTERNATIVES:**

The Board could choose not to approve this Agreement, but that is not recommended because the benefits of providing these services lie in accordance with the Strategic Plan of Tulare County.

## **INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:**

This Agreement has been approved as to form by County Counsel and no changes have been made since this approval.

# **ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**

Ray Bullick Director Health

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Auditor/Controller

**County Counsel** 

County Administrative Office (3)

Agreement

# BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF TULARE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

| IN THE MATTER OF: Approval of agreement with First 5 Tulare County for the Nurse-Family Partnership. | ) RESOLUTION NO ) AGREEMENT NO )  |
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| UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISO   | OR, SECONDED BY   |
| SUPERVISOR   | , THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE  |
| BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OF   | FICIAL MEETING HELD   |
| , BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:   |   |
| AYES:<br>NOES:<br>ABSTAIN:<br>ABSENT:  |   |
| ATTEST:  | JEAN M. ROUSSEAU<br>COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/<br>CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS |
| BY:  | Deputy Clerk  |
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