

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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AGENDA DATE:

July 13, 2010

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AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT:

Approval to increase Agreement No. 24121 by \$367,290 from \$478, 527 to \$845,817 with Health Net of California, Inc. relating to the Tulare Healthy Kids 6-18 Program.

REQUEST(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Ratify and approve an increase in Agreement No. 24121 by \$367,290 from \$478,527 to \$845,817 with Health Net of California, Inc. to continue providing and/or arranging medical, vision, and mental health services for the Tulare Healthy Kids 6-18 Program, retroactive to April 1, 2010 through November 1, 2010. This request is retroactive due to inadvertent delays in determining the amount of the funding necessary to fund the increase in program members for the term of this agreement. It was impracticable for the Board to take action before April 1, 2010 due to the time needed to process, prepare and submit the Agenda Item; and
- 2. Find that the Board had authority to approve an increase in Agreement No. 24121 as of April 1, 2010 and that it was in the County's best interest to approve the increase on that date.

SUMMARY:

Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency (HHSA) assumed administration of the Tulare Healthy Kids 6-18 Program in July 2007 from Tulare County Children's Health Initiative (CHI) due to circumstances that necessitated they discontinue SUBJECT: Approval to increase Agreement No. 24121 by \$367,290 from \$478, 527

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administration of the Tulare Healthy Kids 6-18 Program.

Tulare County HHSA, in coordination with Health Net of California, Inc. with assistance by the Tulare County First 5 Commission and Tulare County CHI, has agreed to maintain enrollment and eligibility duties for prospective and existing Tulare Healthy Kids 6-18 Program participants. In addition, Tulare County HHSA will continue the duties of fiscal agent by the maintenance of a Trust Fund for the deposit of grant funds received. Premiums will be paid from this Trust Fund to Health Net of California, Inc. on a monthly basis in accordance with monthly enrollment figures. Health Net of California, Inc., in turn, will pay Vision Services Plan (VSP) for vision services.

Tulare County HHSA received grants from the California Endowment as well as the Blue Shield of California Foundation to subsidize premiums for the Tulare Healthy Kids 6-18 Program. These grants are maintained and applied periodically as required by grant terms. Since 2007, these grants have totaled nearly 1 million dollars.

Agreement No. 24121 with Health Net of California, Inc. does not have maximum dollar amount. The agreement defines compensation as a monthly premium cost of \$58.30 per Healthy Kids Managed Care Plan (HKMCP) member. The original amount of \$478, 527 for Agreement No. 24121 was based on an estimated average amount of 432 monthly members' premiums to be paid, which was approved by the Board through Resolution No. 2009-0544. Agreement No. 24121 did not include a breakdown by fiscal year. There has been an increase from an average of 432 monthly members' premiums to an average of 700 monthly members' premiums. In addition, an estimated 9 months were not allocated for. As a result, Tulare County HHSA has expended the current maximum agreement amount of \$478, 527 approved by the Board and cannot pay Health Net of California, Inc. for the additional months and premiums needed to complete services. Therefore, in order to continue delivery of services, we are bringing this request before the Board to authorize an increase of \$367,290 for a maximum agreement amount of \$845,817 for Agreement No. 24121 that will enable Tulare County HHSA to pay Health Net of California, Inc. for services to an average of 700 Healthy Kids Managed Care Plan members monthly through November 1, 2010.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

Funds for Tulare Healthy Kids 6-18 Program premiums are paid solely from grant funds received. The revenue and expenses in the amount of \$407,076 for Fiscal Year 2009/2010 are included in the Fiscal Year 2009/2010 budget. Revenue and expenses for Fiscal Year 2010/2011 in the amount of \$293,102 will be included in the Fiscal Year 2010/2011 proposed budget. No Net County Cost.

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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.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could choose not to approve this request, but this is not recommended as this would leave an average of 700 children without health insurance coverage for the remainder of this agreement.

INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:

Health Net of California, Inc., Tulare County First 5 Commission, and Tulare County Children's Health Initiative.

ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:

Ray Bullick Director Health

Cc:

Auditor/Controller County Counsel

County Administrative Office (3)

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

IN THE MATTER OF: Approval to increase Agreement No. 24121 by \$367,290 from \$478, 527 to \$845,817 with Health Net of California, Inc. relating to the Tulare Healthy Kids 6-18 Program.) RESOLUTION NO) AGREEMENT NO)
UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISO	OR, SECONDED BY
SUPERVISOR	_, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN O	FFICIAL MEETING HELD
, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:	
AYES: NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:	
ATTEST:	JEAN M. ROUSSEAU COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/ CLERK, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BY:	Deputy Clerk
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