



**Health & Human Services  
Agency  
COUNTY OF TULARE  
AGENDA ITEM**

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**AGENDA DATE:** July 12, 2011 - **REVISED**

Public Hearing Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scheduled Public Hearing w/Clerk	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Published Notice Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advertised Published Notice	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meet & Confer Required	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electronic file(s) has been sent	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>
Budget Transfer (Aud 308) attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Personnel Resolution attached	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Resolution, Ordinance or Agreements are attached and signature line for Chairman is marked with tab(s)/flag(s) Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>						

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**SUBJECT:** Approval of amendment to Agreement No. 24859 with Blue Cross of California d.b.a. Anthem Blue Cross, Inc.

**REQUEST(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Ratify and approve an amendment to Agreement No. 24859 with Blue Cross of California d.b.a. Anthem Blue Cross, Inc. to allow Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency (HHSA) Physicians to provide Fee for Service comprehensive health care to eligible individuals under the Anthem Blue Cross Medi-Cal Managed Health Care Program (MCMCP), Healthy Families Program and Access for Infants and Mothers (AIM) Program retroactive to January 1, 2011. This Agreement is retroactive due to inadvertent delays in obtaining authorized signatures on the amendment. It was impracticable for the Board to take action before January 1, 2011 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, 2010 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 amendment.

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**SUMMARY:**

One of the missions of Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency is to provide high quality, accessible, and cost-effective health care. This amendment allows contracted services to be provided by HHSA Physicians to eligible Medi-Cal, Healthy Families, and AIM beneficiaries. This amendment also allows for Anthem Blue Cross to provide Fee for Service payment to HHSA for services provided to their enrollees in the Anthem Blue Cross Medi-Cal Managed Care Programs. Services provided will be through the County clinics within the Tulare County Health & Human Services Agency.

Please note that this amendment allows Anthem Blue Cross to delegate financial responsibility for the provision of medical services to a MCMP participating medical group.

We would like to bring to the Board's attention the following items in the original Agreement that deviate from County Contract Protocol: the Agreement contains in section XII Term and Termination that the Agreement will continue in effect until the Agreement is terminated pursuant to the Agreement; the Agreement requires that unresolved disputes concerning a Utilization Review decision be submitted to binding arbitration; and the County of Tulare will sign the Agreement first.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:**

There is no increase in revenue and expenses from this Agreement in the Fiscal Year 2010/2011 or 2011/2012 budgets.

**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 the amendment of this Agreement, however, that is not recommended. This Agreement allows Tulare County Health & Human Services physicians to provide comprehensive health care to eligible individuals under the Anthem Blue Cross Medi-Cal Managed Health Care Program (MCMCP), Healthy Families Program and Access for Infants and Mothers (AIM) Program.

**INVOLVEMENT OF OTHER DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES:**

County Counsel

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**ADMINISTRATIVE SIGN-OFF:**

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John M. Davis  
Agency Director

Cc: Auditor/Controller  
County Counsel  
County Administrative Office (3)

Amendment

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

**IN THE MATTER OF:** )  
Approval of amendment to Agreement )  
No. 24895 with Blue Cross of California )  
d.b.a Anthem Blue Cross, Inc. )

**RESOLUTION NO.** \_\_\_\_\_  
**AGREEMENT NO.** \_\_\_\_\_

UPON MOTION OF SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, SECONDED BY  
SUPERVISOR \_\_\_\_\_, THE FOLLOWING WAS ADOPTED BY THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AT AN OFFICIAL 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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