

MEMORANDUM
PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Community Health

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.
Placer County Health Officer and Director of Health & Human Services
Michael P. Mulligan, M.D., M.B.A., Director, Community Health

DATE: May 8, 2007

SUBJECT: Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (C.A.R.E.) Act

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve the revenue agreement #7275-07/08-706 with the County of Sacramento, the fiscal agent for the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (C.A.R.E.) Act, in the amount of \$62,425 for the period from March 1, 2007 through February 28, 2008, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the contract and any subsequent amendments. The C.A.R.E. Act provides funding for case management and essential support and care services for eligible HIV/AIDS residents.

BACKGROUND:

The County of Sacramento serves as the fiscal agent for C.A.R.E. Act funds for the Sacramento region, which have been provided to Placer County for the last 13 years. There are 52 Eligible Metropolitan Areas (EMAs) nation-wide. The funding for the Sacramento region is substantially unchanged compared to last year. Placer County Health and Human Services has worked with the Placer County C.A.R.E Consortium to: assess needs, ensure a continuum of quality care, and evaluate proper and efficient utilization of funds. Sierra Foothills AIDS Foundation delivers case management and support services to over one hundred unduplicated clients per year. Services include attendant care, transportation assistance to access medical care, food vouchers, assistance with rent and utility payments to prevent homelessness, and assistance with health insurance premiums and co-payments. Benefits counseling sessions have resulted in more effective utilization of community resources such as AT&T Universal Lifeline telephone rates, Social Security benefits, food stamps, food banks, health insurance continuance, and medication assistance through the AIDS Drug Assistance Program.

According to Sacramento County, the contract as presented to the Board at this time reflects a partial funding amount, and is intended to be a "bridge contract" to prevent a break in services for clients with HIV and AIDS until the balance of the Federal funding is received. The total contract funding amount is estimated to be \$187,276.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The County of Sacramento fully funds the services delivered under this contract. There is no match requirement or General Fund cost. This revenue has been included in the current FY 2006-2007 budget, and the Proposed Budget for FY 2007-2008.

The following contract for:

**County of Sacramento, Ryan
White Comprehensive AIDS
Resources Emergency Act
(C.A.R.E.)**

are on file with the Clerk of the Board
for BOS meeting:

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