

**MEMORANDUM  
PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
Public Health**

**TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Jeffrey S. Brown, M.P.H., M.S.W., Director of Health and Human Services  
Robert Oldham, M.D., M.S.H.A., Health Officer/Public Health Director

**DATE:** August 18, 2015

**SUBJECT:** Agreement with the Permanente Medical Group, Inc. for Services of Lawrence Manhart, M.D.

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**ACTION REQUESTED:**

1. Approve a contract with The Permanente Medical Group, Inc. ("TPMG") to allow TPMG Physician, Lawrence Manhart, M.D., to provide California Children's Services (CCS) Medical Therapy Unit (MTU) Services, at the current Medi-cal rate, for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the contract and subsequent amendments not to exceed 10 percent of the total contract amount, consistent with the subject matter and scope of work. Funding is provided by Medi-Cal, and is allocated to the county by the California Department of Health Care Services.

**BACKGROUND:**

The California Children's Services (CCS) program is a legislatively mandated program that provides diagnostic and treatment services, medical case management, and physical and occupational therapy services to children under age 21 with CCS-eligible medical conditions. Examples of CCS-eligible conditions include, but are not limited to, medical conditions such as cystic fibrosis, hemophilia, cerebral palsy, heart disease, cancer, traumatic injuries, and infectious diseases producing major debilitation. CCS also provides medical therapy services that are delivered at public schools. The medical therapy unit carries an average yearly caseload of 140 children.

Physical Therapy (PT) and Occupational Therapy (OT) services are provided at Medical Therapy Units (MTUs) in Newcastle and Roseville. PT is primarily provided to address mobility and ambulation needs of clients and is provided by trained Physical Therapists specializing in medical therapy. OT is primarily provided to address self-help skills or Activities of Daily Living (ADLs). The therapists work under the order of a CCS-paneled physician to provide medical prescriptions and recommendations for specialized equipment, such as orthotics/braces, wheelchairs and other assistive devices. The Permanente Medical Group, Inc. has a CCS-paneled physician, Lawrence Manhart, M.D., available to provide medical direction up to 8 hours per month for Placer County's Medical Therapy Program.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Funding for this agreement is fully funded by Medi-Cal and is allocated to the county by the California Department of Health Care Services. There is no net county cost as a result of this Agreement.

The Agreement is on file with the Clerk of the Board for review.

