



**MEMORANDUM**  
**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**  
**PUBLIC HEALTH**  
County of Placer

TO: Board of Supervisors

DATE: July 27, 2021

FROM: Robert Oldham, MD, MSHA, Director of Health and Human Services

SUBJECT: County of Sacramento Tuberculosis Services Agreement

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**ACTION REQUESTED**

Approve an agreement with the County of Sacramento to provide tuberculosis clinic services for patients referred by Placer County Health and Human Services Department, for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the agreement and any related grant documentation with Risk Management and County Counsel concurrence, and to sign subsequent amendments consistent with the subject matter and scope of work up to an additional \$20,000 with Risk Management and County Counsel concurrence.

**BACKGROUND**

Tuberculosis (TB) is a contagious, airborne disease that is complicated to diagnose, treat and case manage. Because of TB's contagiousness, prompt identification and treatment is a public health priority. Due to the number of TB cases in Sacramento County, Sacramento has a robust TB program, including a specialty clinic, a physician TB controller and nursing and non-nursing staff that specialize in TB. Given Placer County's relatively low incidence of TB, the county does not possess the same deep resources and expertise as Sacramento County. Even though the incidence is relatively low, cases still need to be managed promptly and correctly.

Contracting with Sacramento County will provide a hub and spoke model for TB. Sacramento will be the hub and provide all the necessary skills and expertise needed to manage TB cases. Placer County will be the spoke and employ staff to coordinate with Sacramento county experts to help manage cases under their direction and per their request.

Typically, there are about 12 active TB cases that need to be managed every year in Placer County and about 40 class B immigrants who need follow up upon entry into the US. Sacramento will manage both active TB cases and class B cases, as well as provide consultation to area providers on TB diagnosis and treatment. With the increased growth in Placer County, the incidence of TB in the county is likely to grow as well.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

This agreement is funded with \$42,558 in Federal TB funds, \$36,968 in State TB funds, and \$120,474 in County General Funds. These funds are included in the Department's FY 2021-2022 Budget and will also be included in the Department's FY 2022-2023 Budget.

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

