

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

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.
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DATE: May 18, 2010

SUBJECT: Public Health Preparedness Program's Hospital Preparedness Subcontracts

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve seven Public Health Preparedness hospital subcontracts for the period of August 9, 2009 through June 30, 2010 with American Medical Response West (\$8,816), Chapa De Indian Health Clinic (\$21,729), Kaiser Permanente Roseville (\$38,281), Kindred Healthcare Operating Inc. dba Siena Care Center (\$28,013), Sutter Auburn Faith Hospital (\$39,793), Sutter Roseville Medical Center (\$28,862), and Sierra-Sacramento Valley EMS Agency (\$10,000) for an aggregate total of \$175,494, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign these subcontracts and subsequent amendments up to 10 percent of the original amounts.

These subcontracts are funded with 100 percent Federal funds. No County General Fund contribution is required. These costs are included in the Department's FY 2009-10 Final Budget.

BACKGROUND:

Placer County has received Federal funding for the Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) since 2003. The focus of the HPP is on helping all healthcare facilities--including acute care, sub-acute care, long term care, community clinics, and allied healthcare services--meet Federal and State minimal readiness standards to respond to natural and manmade disaster events. Through this program, healthcare facilities have increased disaster management capacity and capability. Health and Human Services works collaboratively with the HPP subcontractors to create an integrated emergency response plan, assist in purchase of equipment, and provide critical training. These costs, along with administration and overhead, are reimbursed from Federal funds.

The Hospital Preparedness Program had several key accomplishments related to the H1N1 pandemic in 2009-10. The first was the preparation for medical surge through pandemic-related technical training to 22 hospitals and long term care agencies in Placer County. In addition, the program provided H1N1 vaccine to three acute care facilities, ten skilled nursing facilities, and 13 assisted living facilities. Finally, 24,525 respirators were delivered to hospitals and long term care partners throughout the County by the HPP to protect staff during the height of the H1N1 pandemic. All of these activities supported Placer County's effective response to the H1N1 threat.

These contracts could not be finalized until approval was received from the State's Emergency Preparedness Office. Now that the State has provided this approval, these subcontracts may be presented to your Board to allow Placer County HHS to continue these important emergency preparedness activities.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Subcontracts total \$175,494 and are funded with 100 percent Federal funds, which are included in the Department's FY 2009-10 Final Budget. No County General Fund contribution is required.

These subcontracts are on file with the Clerk of the Board for your review.

