

MEMORANDUM
PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Public Health Division

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.
Placer County Health Officer and Director of Health & Human Services
Wesley Nicks, R.E.H.S., Director of Environmental Health, Public Health, and Animal Services

DATE: November 12, 2013

SUBJECT: Public Health Emergency Preparedness Comprehensive Agreement

ACTION REQUESTED:

1. Approve a revenue agreement with the California Department of Public Health for the Public Health Preparedness Comprehensive Agreement from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 in an amount not to exceed \$913,270.
 - a. Sign the required Certification Regarding Lobbying and the Non-Supplantation Certification Forms, and periodic certifications of the County's compliance with the non-supplantation requirements.
 - b. Authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign subsequent contract amendments.
2. Approve a maximum payment authorization ("umbrella contract") for the period from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 with eight Hospital Preparedness Program Partners.
 - a. Approve a not-to-exceed amount of \$97,650 (no net County cost) for public health emergency preparedness, response and recovery services.
 - b. Authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the resulting contracts, add qualified providers, and enter into contract amendments consistent with the current agreements' subject matter and scope of work.

BACKGROUND:

Placer County has been receiving Federal and State funds, awarded by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), for the County's Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Program since 2002. The 2013-14 Comprehensive Agreement marks the third year of a five-year grant cycle. Funding supports Health and Human Services' planning to prevent, respond to, and rapidly recover from emergencies that impact the public's health. These events can be caused by natural, accidental, or intentional means. Being prepared is critical for protecting and securing our community's public health. This year, CDPH directed Local Health Departments to take into consideration results from hazard vulnerability assessments, public health risk assessments, needs of at-risk populations, and real events occurring within the jurisdiction. Based on these findings, priority will be placed on sustaining the following essential Placer County PHEP capabilities:

- Public Health Surveillance and Epidemiologic Investigations;
- Public Health Laboratory Testing;
- Emergency Operations Coordination;
- Emergency Public Information and Warning;
- Information Sharing;
- Community Preparedness;
- Medical Countermeasures Dispensing; and
- Medical Materiel Management and Distribution.

Since 2003, Placer's PHEP program has delivered over 200 health alerts electronically to multiple medical and health stakeholders in the community. Twenty public health response plans have been created and over 40 sites have been assessed for both sheltering and dispensing of medical countermeasures. Currently, 75 volunteers are registered as disaster healthcare volunteers in the online registry serving Placer County. PHEP Program staff maintains several emergency response equipment sites throughout the government center, ready for deployment for a public health emergency.

In fiscal year 2012-13, several significant Placer County public health events were supported by the PHEP program. During the County's response to the Robber's Fire, preparedness staff coordinated the transport and care of a medically fragile shelter occupant. The Public Health Laboratory provided regional support to neighboring Yuba County by confirming the identification of a potentially harmful bacterium. The PHEP program maintained its strong emergency preparedness and response partnerships with Human Services (mass sheltering), Adult System of Care (psychological first aid), Facility Services (medical countermeasure warehousing), Public Works (medical countermeasure distribution), Sheriff's Office (security planning for points of dispensing), and the Office of Emergency Services (plans, protocols and resource sharing).

Placer County's Federal funding for the Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP), received since 2003, focuses on helping all healthcare facilities meet Federal and State response standards for natural and manmade disaster events. Through this program, healthcare facilities have increased their disaster management capacity and capability. PHEP works collaboratively with the HPP subcontractors to create an integrated emergency response plan, assist in the purchase of equipment, and provide critical training. These costs, along with administration and overhead, are reimbursed from Federal funds. The proposed HPP subcontracted partners for FY 2013-14 are listed in Attachment A. All partners support the use of the available dollars and recommended allocations.

In order to maximize the use of the funding provided to the partnering agencies involved in the HPP, an umbrella contract is being utilized. The umbrella contract approach provides the County flexibility to add qualified partners and adjust appropriate trainings, supply purchases, and related services when they are needed, within the funding limits authorized by the Board.

As required by Health and Safety Code Section 101317, the County needs to sign two non-supplantation certifications: one submitted with the contract and signed by the Board Chair, and one with signature authority delegated by the Board and submitted with progress and expenditure reports.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total award amount is \$913,270, with \$97,650 of this award being paid to the HPP subcontractors. These revenues and expenditures are included in the Department's FY 2013-14 Final Budget. No County General Fund match is required.

The Public Health Preparedness Comprehensive Agreement and the Hospital Preparedness Program Partner Agreements are on file with the Clerk of the Board for review.

Attachments

Attachment A – Hospital Preparedness Program Partners

Attachment A

Board of Supervisors Meeting
November 12, 2013
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Hospital Preparedness Program Partners Effective July 1, 2013

American Medical Response West, Sacramento

Auburn Ravine Terrace, Auburn

Chapa-De Indian Health Program, Auburn

Kaiser Permanente Roseville Medical Center, Roseville

Kindred Transitional Care and Rehabilitation – Siena, Auburn

Rock Creek Care Center, Auburn

Sutter Auburn Faith Hospital, Auburn

Sutter Roseville Medical Center, Roseville

