

MEMORANDUM
PLACER COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Community Health Division

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Richard J. Burton, M.D., M.P.H.
Placer County Health Officer and Director of Health and Human Services
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DATE: March 10, 2009

SUBJECT: Hospital Preparedness Program Subcontracts

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approve contracts with Kaiser Foundation Hospitals, Sutter Roseville Medical Center, Sutter Auburn Faith Hospital, Chapa-De Indian Health Program, Inc., American Medical Response West, and Sierra-Sacramento Valley Emergency Medical Services Agency for participation in the Hospital Preparedness Program from January 14, 2009 through July 31, 2009 in an aggregate amount of \$135,655, and authorize the Director of Health and Human Services to sign the contracts and subsequent amendments up to 10% of the total amount. There are no County General Funds in this action and these costs are reflected in the Department's 2008/09 Final Budget.

BACKGROUND:

Placer County has received funding from the California Department of Public Health for the Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP) since 2003. In prior years, Sierra-Sacramento Valley Emergency Medical Services Agency (SSV-EMS) was the program lead for HPP. In order to streamline program responsibilities and lessen the administrative burden to SSV-EMS, Placer County HHS agreed to assume the program lead role for FY 08-09. The focus of this program is on helping hospitals meet standards of minimal readiness established by the National Bioterrorism Hospital Preparedness Program and California Department of Public Health. As a result of this program, hospitals have increased capacity and capability to respond to natural and manmade disaster events. An HHS Health Education Coordinator serves as the HPP program coordinator and works collaboratively with the HPP partners to create an integrated emergency response plan, assist in purchase of equipment, and provide relevant training.

Under the HPP requirements, Community Health is required to include hospitals, clinics, emergency medical services agencies, tribal entities and others partners to continue to develop and strengthen the emergency response plans for their individual organizations, to integrate plans across public health and all healthcare providers, and to test these plans through drills and exercises. Recent accomplishments for the HPP include creating a draft disaster fatality management plan for Placer County's Emergency Operation Plan, partnering with long-term care providers in Placer County for coordinated disaster response, and finalizing a plan for Alternate Care Sites establishing disaster surge capacity during an emergency disaster event.

The subcontractors and individual contract amounts include:

- American Medical Response West – \$6,842
- Chapa-De Indian Health Program, Inc. – \$16,166
- Kaiser Roseville Medical Center – \$37,483
- Sacramento-Sierra Valley Emergency Medical Services Agency – \$10,530
- Sutter Auburn Faith Hospital – \$23,488
- Sutter Roseville Medical Center – \$41,146

Approval of this request will allow Placer County HHS to move funding to these agencies for the purposes of the County's Hospital Preparedness Program and continue these important emergency preparedness activities.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) receives categorical federal funding from the HHS Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP). No County General Fund contribution is required. These costs are reflected in the Department's 2008/09 Final Budget.

Copies of these contracts are on file with Clerk of the Board for review.

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