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TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors
Tiffany Schmid, Chief Administrative Officer

FROM: Olivia Byron-Cooper, Director, Health & Human Services Agency *OBC*

SUBJECT: Retroactive Renewal of Agreement for Services – Item 25-1382, 9/23/2025
MAA and TCM with the County of Santa Cruz

This memo is to notify you that retroactive agreement 9773 with the County of Santa Cruz for Host Entity services under the Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (MAA) and Targeted Case Management (TCM) programs has been requested by the Health and Human Services Agency (HHS), Community Services Division, and is on the Board of Supervisor's agenda for 9/23/2025 (File ID: 25-1382).

The California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) administers the California Medi-Cal Assistance (CMA) Program, of which the MAA and TCM program are components. DHCS contracts with participating CMA counties throughout the state, referred to as "Local Government Agencies" (LGAs), to ensure the appropriate administration of MAA and TCM services.

Through the CMA Program, the County as a LGA, contracts with DHCS to receive reimbursement for MAA and TCM services, to include outreach, referral coordination, case management, and assisting clients with completing a Medi-Cal application. The LGAs' objective is to assist eligible Medi-Cal eligible residents gain access to needed medical, social, educational, and other services.

Under the CMA Program, a Host Entity is required to collect and disburse LGA participation fees, pursuant to the responsibilities outlined in California Welfare and Institutions Code Section (WIC) Section 14132.47(m). The Host Entity is identified and approved by the LGA Consortium and contracts with all LGAs participating in MAA/TCM program. The County of Santa Cruz is the Host Entity for the TCM program in California.

LGAs participating in the CMA Program are required to pay an annual participation fee to the Host Entity, required by state law as a condition of county participation in the MAA and TCM program. The MAA and TCM participation fees are determined annually based on the percentage of revenue received by each program. Host Entity total annual compensation is not the same nor equal to the LGA's annual participation fee.

As the Host Entity, the County of Santa Cruz emailed a partially signed agreement to HHSA in May 2025, indicating it would likely be retroactive due to the expiration of the previous Agreement 7725 on June 30, 2025. Since HHSA received the renewal agreement for execution so close to the expiration date of the prior agreement, bringing this retroactive Agreement 9773 before the Board is unavoidable.

HHSA recommends approval of Agreement 9773, as it is required for the County to continue to participate in and receive federal revenues for MAA and TCM services. The annual payment of the LGA participation fee to the County of Santa Cruz (as the Host Entity) through this agreement is a requirement to participate in the CMA Program with DHCS. Through its participation in the program, the County may claim federal Medicaid matching funds for assisting the state in the proper and efficient administration of the Medi-Cal Program. HHSA acts as the liaison for receipt of MAA revenues for the County and has been participating in the CMA Program since 1998.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss anything further.