



RESOLUTION NO. xxx-2020

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

WHEREAS, a novel coronavirus (COVID-19) was first detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China in December 2019. Symptoms of COVID-19, an infectious disease caused by the novel coronavirus, include fever, cough, and shortness of breath; outcomes have ranged from mild to severe illness, and in some cases death; and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of COVID-19 a "public health emergency of international concern"; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, United States Health and Human Services Secretary Alex M. Azar declared a public health emergency for the United States to aid the nation's healthcare community in responding to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announced on February 25, 2020, that community spread of COVID-19 is likely to occur in the United States; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, California Governor Gavin Newsom issued a proclamation of a State of Emergency for the State of California due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a worldwide pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the El Dorado County Health and Human Services Agency, Public Health Division must use all preventive measures, which will require access to available services, personnel, equipment, and facilities, to respond to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the County's Health Officer declared a local health emergency based on an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of a novel coronavirus (COVID-19) in the County of El Dorado; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors ratified the local health emergency on March 17, 2020 and such emergency shall remain in effect until terminated by the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the Director of the Office of Emergency Services proclaimed a local emergency based on conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the territorial limits of the County of El Dorado as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors ratified the local emergency on March 17, 2020 and such emergency shall remain in effect until terminated by the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, State guidelines, as explained in the Framework for K-12 Schools in California (attached), indicate school staff should be tested for COVID-19, including teachers, paraprofessionals, cafeteria workers, janitors, bus drivers, or any other school employee that may have contact with students or other staff. School districts and schools should ensure that staff are tested periodically by their primary care provider or by referring teachers to a community testing site, as testing capacity permits and as practicable. Examples of recommended frequency include all staff being

tested over two months, where 25% of staff are tested every 2 weeks, or 50% every month to rotate which staff members are tested over time.

WHEREAS, the Health and Human Services Agency (HHS) in collaboration with El Dorado County Office of Education has been requested to manage the provision of testing in accordance with State guidelines; and

WHEREAS, multiple agreements are necessary to secure services specifically related to the Covid-19 pandemic including but not limited to provision of staff and materials to support COVID-19 testing, health support and services for individuals in the County of El Dorado; and

WHEREAS, these agreements are vital to HHS's ability to provide necessary COVID-19 testing services to the community and residents of the County; and

WHEREAS, to ensure the timely and efficient processing of agreements to support COVID-19 testing, health support and services thereby expediting the availability of these essential services, the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Chief Administrative Officer or designee to act on behalf of the County of El Dorado to execute all necessary documents required to secure and maintain COVID-19 goods or service related Agreements including any future amendments thereto, or subsequent agreements, and contingent upon approval by County Counsel and Risk Management, as applicable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors for the County of El Dorado hereby delegates authority to the Chief Administrative Officer or designee to execute agreements and amendments thereto specific to Covid-19 pandemic services including but not limited to provision of staff and materials to support COVID-19 testing, health support and services for individuals in the County of El Dorado. The CAO or his designee will bring any contracts that exceed the purchasing agent's authority, as set forth in Gov't Code Section 25502.3, to the BOS for ratification within 30 days of execution.

This authority shall continue in effect until terminated by the Board of Supervisors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of said Board, held the 1st day of September 2020, by the following vote of said Board:

	Ayes:	
Kim Dawson Clerk of the Board of Supervisors	Noes: Absent:	
By: _____ Deputy Clerk		_____ Brian Veerkamp, Chair Board of Supervisors