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Agenda Title: PH - 10/14/08 - Application for Blue Shield Foundation of California grant.

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Title: Public Health Department requesting Board approve application for additional grant funding from Blue Shield of California Foundation (BSCF) in the amount of \$149,983 for the term January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009 for continuation of work toward implementation of an electronic Health Information Exchange to enable the exchange and sharing of clinical and administrative information among the multiple healthcare providers in El Dorado County through the ACCEL Initiative.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve.

FUNDING: Should a BSCF grant be awarded, El Dorado County will receive \$149,983 for the term January 1 through December 31, 2009.

Notes: cc: Sharon Elliott, Health Promotions Program Division Manager

Agenda Date: 10/14/2008

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Attachments: ACCEL Proposal for BSFC grant.pdf

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Hearing Date:

Contact: Kathy Lang, ext. 6362

Next Meeting Date:

Approval History

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1	09/25/2008	Neda West	Disapproved
Notes			
1	Per phone message.		
1		Agenda Coordinator	
1		Gayle Erbe-Hamlin	
2	09/26/2008	Neda West	Approved
2	09/29/2008	Agenda Coordinator	Delegate
2	10/07/2008	Laura Schwartz	Approved
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2	Consent		
2	10/07/2008	Gayle Erbe-Hamlin	Approved

History of Legislative File

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2	Board Of Supervisors	10/14/2008	Approved				Pass
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		Yes5		Dupray,Baumann,Supervisor Sweeney,Supervisor Briggs andSupervisor Santiago			5

Text of Legislative File 08-1512

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Fiscal Impact/Change to Net County Cost: No change to Net County cost.

Background: The Public Health Department has been an active participant in the

Access El Dorado (ACCEL) Initiative from its inception and has functioned as the fiscal agent for many of the grants that have funded ACCEL efforts, including the original Blue Shield of California Foundation grant that was awarded in 2006. The Project Director of ACCEL was contacted by BSCF earlier this month and invited to apply for additional funding; only previous recipients of BSCF grant funds are eligible for this subsequent funding. The submission deadline to request additional funding was Friday, September 19, 2008. Due to the short response time, the Public Health Department was unable to request advance in concept approval from the Board to apply for the funding. However, the submission to BSCF will not be binding or obligate the County to action pending Board approval.

Reason for Recommendation: Grant funds if provided by BSCF, will be utilized to continue the process of implementing a countywide Health Information Exchange (HIE). The ACCEL HIE will provide technology infrastructure to enable the exchange and sharing of clinical and administrative information among the multiple health care providers in the County. This project builds upon the foundational work and successful practical experience gained through the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) and the original BSCF grant funding. The HIE is intended to improve access, patient outcomes and quality of care for all residents of El Dorado with a particular focus on the uninsured and under insured population.

The goals of the project include:

- Completion of a strategic business plan that identifies incremental implementation and funding strategies to allow the ACCEL HIE effort to expand and realize benefits for participating health care providers
- Linkage of at least two ACCEL agencies through a live HIE that shares clinical data essential to patient care

Action to be taken following Board approval:

Public Health Department will confirm Board approval for application to the Blue Shield of California Foundation on behalf of the ACCEL Initiative.

Contact: Kathy Lang