



## Legislation Text

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Health and Human Services Agency (HHS) recommending the Board:

- 1) Accept, with gratitude, a donation of \$137,000 from William David Worlow on the behalf of the Michael and Sarah Worlow Neri Exempt Trust, to support the efforts of HHS Public Health Division California Children's Services; and
- 2) Authorize the HHS Director, or HHS Chief Assistant Director, to execute further document(s) relating to the donation from William David Worlow on the behalf of the Michael and Sarah Worlow Neri Exempt Trust, to the HHS, Public Health Division, California Children's Services.

**FUNDING:** 100% William David Worlow on the behalf of the Michael and Sarah Worlow Neri Exempt Trust.

**DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND:**

The California Crippled Children's Act is a statewide program established in 1927 and refined in 1978 through the Robert W. Crown California Children's Services Act as described in California Health and Safety Code. The broadest application of the Act is to provide a program of services to children and youth from birth up to the age of 21 who are afflicted with life limiting diseases, physical and functional debility and specific genetic abnormalities. Examples of covered medical conditions include cystic fibrosis, cerebral palsy, rare blood factor disease, heart transplant (many causes), and catastrophic brain trauma.

The Public Health Division California Children's Services (CCS) program provides services to an average of 650-850 families per year. HHS's Public Health Division oversees the CCS program in El Dorado County.

The beneficiaries of the Michael and Sarah Worlow Neri Family Trust, established in 1996 and amended in 2000, specifically established the Children's Services Program of El Dorado County (931 Spring St, Placerville) as a Contingent Beneficiary along with several other community-based services. The consideration of the County's CCS program being established as a beneficiary is surmised to be the result of services that were provided to a family member. In 2008, the County received official notification of the CCS program beneficiary status in the form of an accounting of trust assets as required by the Court of Probate.

On October 17, 2023, Dave Worlow c/o The Michael and Sarah Worlow Neri Family Trust provided a \$137,000 unrestricted donation to HHS Public Health Division to support the CCS program in El Dorado County. It is the intent of HHS Public Health Division to designate an HHS Public Health CCS account for the trust disbursement amount of \$137,000. These funds will be applied to enhance both direct support to CCS qualified children/families in the provision of aides to covered services to enhance clients' quality of life and to improve the efficiency and modernization of program operation. Determination of funding distribution will be client-centered under the purview of the following HHS Public Health Division staff: Supervising Therapist, Public Health Nursing Supervisor, and the Division Children's Medical Services Administrator (Deputy Public Health Director).

With Board approval, HHSa Public Health CCS will gratefully accept this donation.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

The Board could direct HHSa to decline the donation.

**PRIOR BOARD ACTION:**

03/25/14, 14-0385, HHSa Donation Acceptance Delegation

**OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

N/A

**CAO RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve as recommended.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The donation will be used for direct support to CCS qualified children/families in the provision of aides to covered services to enhance clients' quality of life and to improve the efficiency and modernization of program operation.

Subsequent to the Board's acceptance of this donation, if it is determined that a Budget Transfer Request is needed for this donation, HHSa will prepare a budget transfer to bring back to the Board at later date for approval.

**CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS:**

Clerk of the Board to provide one (1) Certified Minute Order to the Health and Human Services Agency Contracts Unit at 3057 Briw Rd, Suite B

**STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT:**

Healthy Communities

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