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Legislation Text

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Human Services Department recommending Chairman be authorized to sign retroactive Agreement for Services 124-S0910 with Barton Memorial Hospital Management Services Organization, Inc., dba Barton Memorial Hospital in the amount of \$226,866 for the term July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2011, to enable said Department to continue to provide and be reimbursed for the services of one Eligibility Worker to process Medi-Cal, County Medical Services Program and Food Stamps applications on-site at the hospital.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve.

FUNDING: Barton Memorial Hospital.

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| BUDGET SUMMARY: | | |
| Total Estimated Cost | | \$226,866 |
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| Funding | | |
| Budgeted | \$226,866 | |
| New Funding | \$ | |
| Savings | \$ | |
| Other | \$ | |
| Total Funding Available | \$226,866 | |
| Change To Net County Cost | | \$0 |

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

Barton Memorial Hospital reimburses the County for the cost of 1.0 Eligibility Worker up to a maximum of \$75,622 per fiscal year during the three-year term of the Agreement. Revenues and appropriations to cover the cost of the worker are budgeted for FY 2008-09 and will be budgeted for FY 2009-10 and FY 2010-11.

Reason for Recommendation:

Agreement #124-S0910 enables Human Services to continue to provide Barton Memorial Hospital with one out-stationed Eligibility Worker (EW) to determine eligibility and process applications for patients in their facility for Medi-Cal or County Medical Services Program (CMSP) services and Food Stamps applications and delineates the responsibilities of each party. By law, only a county welfare department (DHS-Social Service Division) may employ an EW to determine a person's eligibility for Medi-Cal, CMSP and Food Stamps. This collaborative effort benefits Barton Memorial Hospital patients by facilitating their receipt of appropriate services at a time when they may not be able to access services without assistance.

Agreement for Services #124-S0910 replaces prior Agreement #012-S0611, which expired on June

30, 2008, and is submitted retroactively due to delays incurred in negotiating modifications to Agreement language and the need to prevent interruption of this critical service. Barton Memorial Hospital reimburses the County in an amount equal to the cost of one fulltime EW up to a maximum of \$75,622.00 per year for a total of \$226,866 during the term of this three-year Agreement. Copies of the Blue Route and Contract are attached and on file with the Board Clerk.

Action to be taken following board approval:

1. Chairman to sign two (2) original Agreements.
2. Board Clerk to return one (1) original Agreement to Department.
3. Department to distribute as appropriate.

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Concurrences: Human Resources, County Counsel and Risk Management