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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: May 25, 2019

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: County Executive Office

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to Execute Amendment No 1 to the Program Agreement with the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) for County participation in the Medi-Cal Inmate Participation Program (RES.18-179) in an amount not to exceed \$50,000, and directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the Fiscal Year 2018/19 Inmate Medical Services budget (4/5 Affirmative Vote Required)

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the Resolution.

FUNDING: This resolution requires an amendment to the Inmate Medical Services budget. Expenditures and revenues will be offsetting causing a net zero impact to the budget. The maximum contract payable amount will increase from \$7,644.14 to \$50,000 to cover additional eligible treatment cost not covered by Federal Financial Participation. Under our current contract with California Forensic Medical Group (CFMG) these additional costs will be reimbursed.

BACKGROUND: The County is responsible for the cost of inmate medical services provided to individuals incarcerated at jail facilities and the Juvenile Hall. Currently these services are largely provided through contract with CFMG. When an inmate needs inpatient treatment at a hospital or other medical facility, CFMG pays the first \$15,000, and the County directly pays any amounts above \$15,000.

A significant portion of this treatment is for inmates who meet the income requirements to be covered by Medi-Cal. However, Federal law prohibits the claiming Medi-Cal funding for incarcerated individuals, except for inpatient services rendered off the grounds of the incarceration institution.

In 2010 with AB 1628, California amended statute to allow Medi-Cal claiming for eligible treatment of inmates admitted to inpatient facilities.

It was not until December of 2016 that the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) implemented the Medi-Cal Inmate Participation program (MCIP), which is effective April 1, 2017. With the MCIP program, services for Medi-Cal eligible inmates will be billed to Department of Health Care Services and the CFMG receives the federal portion of reimbursement for those services. CFMG shares that revenue with the County and thus costs are reduced both the County and CFMG for Medi-Cal eligible inmate services.

On May 8, 2018 the County Board of Supervisors entered into the Program Agreement with the California Department of Healthcare Services by Resolution No. 18-179 for participation in the Medi-Cal Inmate Participation Program. Under the proposed Amendment No. 1, the Parties desire to amend the agreement to revise “Article 4” Maximum Payable Amount from \$7,644.14 to \$50,000 to cover additional eligible treatment cost not covered by Federal Financial Participation.

Item Initiated by: David Jones, Management Analyst II

Approved by: Martin Polt, Deputy County Executive Officer