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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**Board Agenda Memo** 

**MEETING DATE:** June 14, 2016

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jill Blake

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving execution of Amendment A01 to the Standard Agreement Number 15-10491 with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), Office of AIDS, which increases the funding amount from \$4,926 to \$9,852 (an increase of \$4,926) related to the administration of the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) for the term of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

<u>FUNDING</u>: These are state funds administered by the California Department of Public Health, Office of AIDS. Funds under this Agreement are to support department case management/ administrative costs associated with the ADAP enrollment screening/certification process. Funding is based on the total number of clients that were enrolled in the local program during the previous fiscal year. The County's increased allocation is \$4,926 per fiscal year for a two-year term for a total contract maximum of \$9,852. There are no County general fund dollars or match required in this Agreement.

**BACKGROUND:** Per Administrative Contract No. 1139, the County entered into an Agreement with the California Department of Health, Office of AIDS, and accepted funding for services related to the administration of the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) in the amount of \$4,926 for the term of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017. ADAP was designed to help low-income individuals access and maintain HIV prescription drug coverage. ADAP started as a Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) demonstration project to provide zidovudine (AZT), the first drug approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to treat HIV infection. Since that time, ADAP has significantly expanded to cover FDA approved drugs to treat HIV infection and HIV-related opportunistic infections. Federal and State law requires that ADAP can only be used after all other payer options are exhausted.

Generally, individuals are eligible for ADAP if they: are HIV-infected or have an AIDS defining illness, have a valid prescription from a licensed physician, have an annual federal adjusted gross income equal or below 300% of the current Federal Poverty Level (FPL), are 18 years or older, and are not covered by or eligible for Medicaid or other third-party payers. The funds allotted under this Agreement are solely for costs associated with the administration of the AIDS Drug Assistance Program such as: reimbursement for performing program enrollment, annual recertification services, coordinator's salary (or portion thereof), and internet access for enrollment workers for the submission of application or re-certification to the ADAP pharmacy benefits management via the internet.

It is recommended that the Board approve this Amendment as the increase in funds will further help low-income individuals access and maintain HIV prescription drug coverage.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Jill Blake, MPA Director of Public Health