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Honorable Board of Supervisors
Eric Rood Administrative Center
950 Maidu Avenue
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DATE OF MEETING: February 10, 2015

SUBJECT: Resolution rescinding Resolution No. 14-031 pertaining to the Participating Physician Agreement with Anthem Blue Cross for reimbursement of covered services provided to Anthem Blue Cross members.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: NA

BACKGROUND: The Board approved this Participating Physician Agreement with Anthem Blue Cross on January 28, 2014 per Resolution 14-031. The purpose of the Agreement was to enable the Public Health Department to bill and receive reimbursement from Anthem Blue Cross when it provides Public Health services to beneficiaries, and as such be able to conserve Realignment dollars that had previously been utilized to support such services. Billable services include TB Testing and case management; immunizations; family planning and pregnancy testing/counseling and STD (sexually transmitted disease) testing and counseling.

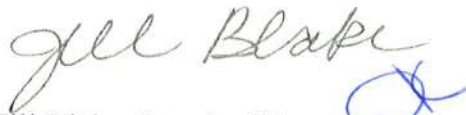
The Public Health Department (PHD) is requesting to rescind the adopted Anthem Blue Cross Prudent Buyer Agreement. When the PHD sent the signed agreement to Anthem Blue Cross last year, Anthem never returned the signed agreement to the PHD. In following up with Anthem, the PHD discovered that Anthem did not intend to execute the Agreement and had revised its Prudent Buyer Agreement to include additional provisions. Anthem informed the PHD that a new agreement would need to be signed.

Upon review of the new agreement, the PHD decided it is unable to meet the additional requirements of the new agreement, such as a requirement that the PHD's Health Officer (Physician) has hospital admitting privileges and undergo medical reviews by an Anthem Blue Cross Medical Board. Neither of these requirements fits

the limited scope of medical care provided at the PHD. Therefore, at this time, the PHD is not pursuing an agreement with Anthem Blue Cross.

Please contact me if any additional information is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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