

## Health and Human Services Agency

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## **Department of Public Health**

Board Agenda Memo	March 25, 2025
TO:	Board of Supervisors
FROM:	Kathy Cahill, MPH, Director of Public Health
SUBJECT:	Resolution approving revenue Contract CHVP 24-29 with the California Department of Public Health related to the California Home Visiting Program for the term of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 in the maximum revenue amount of \$604,194, accepting the associated State General Fund Expansion revenue and directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the Public Health Department's Budget for Fiscal Year 2024/25 (4/5 Affirmative Vote Required).

**<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>**: Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** Contract services are from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) for expansion of the local maternal, infant and early childhood home visiting program. Funding for this contract is partially within the Public Health Department's FY 24/25 Budget. The revenue agreement for FY 24/25 was anticipated to be \$441,094 but has been increased, resulting in the need for a budget amendment of \$163,100, which is included. There are no county general fund dollars required in the agreement.

**BACKGROUND:** The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 authorized creation of the Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program and allocated funding for nationwide maternal, infant and early childhood visitation initiatives. Each state's governor designated the state entity to administer Home Visiting program funds on behalf of the state. For California, this is the state department of Public Health/ Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health (MCAH) Division. CDPH/CHVP State Grant Funding (SGF)-funded Local Health Jurisdictions (LHJs) are approved to implement and/or expand Healthy Families America (HFA), Nurse Family Partnership (NFP), or Parents as Teachers (PAT) home visiting programs in accordance with State requirements to achieve positive outcomes.

Under this contract, Nevada County Public Health's MCAH department in partnership with the subcontractor, Child Advocates, will expand home visiting services adding the Parents As Teachers (PAT) model. Parents As Teachers staff delivers home visiting services throughout

Nevada County (both Eastern and Western County Regions). Pregnant women are referred to the program through local health care provider agencies or other community partners. NCPH staff and contracting staff will assess and enroll eligible families for PAT services and will link non-qualifying referred families and/or families referred after the program has reached full capacity, to other community resources.

The Program is completely voluntary and free of charge. Participants are eligible to receive program services from pregnancy up to the time their child is three (3) per CHVP guidelines, or with CHVP authorization up to age five (5) or when the child is school-ready, e.g. begins kindergarten.

This program will provide home visiting services which shall include activities to address issues in the areas of: maternal, infant and child health, mental health, early childhood development, substance abuse, domestic violence prevention, child maltreatment prevention, child welfare, education and other social and health services.

Due to delays at the State level, we are bringing this retroactive agreement and it is recommended that the Board approve this contract as services provided support the California Home Visiting Program whose purpose is to: 1) provide leadership and coordinate maternal and early childhood systems and supports to advance federal, state and local efforts to improve the health and wellbeing of families in California; 2) cultivate strong communities; 3) promote maternal health and wellbeing; 4) improve infant and child health development; and 5) strengthen family functioning.

Approved by: Kathy Cahill, MPH, Director of Public Health