



Contra
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County

To: Board of Supervisors
From: William Walker, M.D., Health Services Director
Date: January 6, 2015

Subject: Contract #26-583-18 with Specialty Laboratories, Inc. (dba Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute of Valencia)

RECOMMENDATION(S):

Approve and authorize the Health Services Director, or his designee, to execute, on behalf of the County, Contract #26-583-18 with Specialty Laboratories Inc. (dba Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute of Valencia), a corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$950,000, for the provision of outside clinical laboratory services for Contra Costa Regional Medical Center and Contra Costa Health Centers (CCRMC), for the period from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This Contract is 100% funded by Enterprise Fund I. As appropriate, patients and third party payors will be billed for services. No rate increase.

BACKGROUND:

Certain laboratory tests require equipment not available at Contra Costa Regional Medical Center's laboratory and are rarely requested tests. Because of the large number and diversity of laboratory tests used by the medical community to make diagnoses, most hospitals have to utilize outside laboratories, as it is too cost prohibitive to provide all tests on site. Contra Costa County has used the services of outside laboratories for over twenty-five years. On

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **01/06/2015** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor
Mary N. Piepho, District III Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: January 6, 2015

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: Chris Heck, Deputy

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BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

25, 2014, the Board of Supervisors approved Contract #26-583-16 (as amended by Amendment Agreement #26-583-17) with Specialty Laboratories, Inc., to provide outside laboratory services for CCRMC, for the period from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. Approval of Contract #26-583-18 will allow the Contractor to continue to provide outside clinical laboratory services, through December 31, 2015.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this contract is not approved, patients needing specialized laboratory testing at CCRMC will not have access to Contractor's services, which may result in a reduction in the levels of service to the community.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

Not applicable.