



Contra
Costa
County

To: Board of Supervisors
From: David O. Livingston, Sheriff-Coroner
Date: January 5, 2016

Subject: National Medical Services Labs

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Sheriff-Coroner, or designee, to execute a contract with National Medical Services Labs in an amount not to exceed \$240,000 to provide forensic toxicology analysis for the period January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017.

FISCAL IMPACT:

\$240,000. 100% Agency Fees. Budgeted.

BACKGROUND:

Contra Costa County provides, through its Office of the Sheriff – Forensic Services Division – Crime Laboratory, toxicology analysis on blood, urine, and tissue samples submitted as evidence. The County’s Crime Laboratory is accredited by the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors–Laboratory Accreditation Board (ASCLD-LAB) and also processes submissions from other agencies. National Medical Services Labs (NMS Labs) is also accredited by ASCLD-LAB and performs testing and analysis on forensic samples on both ante-mortem and post-mortem cases, providing product assurance and validity of results. The Sheriff’s Office Crime Lab will utilize services provided by NMS Labs for sample evidence analysis.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **01/05/2016** ☒ 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 5, 2016

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

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CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

A negative action on this item will cause long delays in the processing of forensic toxicology analysis submitted as evidence.

CHILDREN'S IMPACT STATEMENT:

No impact.