



Contra  
Costa  
County

To: Board of Supervisors  
From: William Walker, M.D., Health Services Director  
Date: February 7, 2017

Subject: Contract #26-583-24 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 #26-583-24 with Specialty Laboratories Inc. (dba Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute of Valencia), a corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$4,650,000, 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, 2017 through December 31, 2018.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This Contract is funded 100% Hospital Enterprise Fund I. (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 January

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **02/07/2017** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

**VOTE OF SUPERVISORS**

AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor  
Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor  
Diane Burgis, 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: February 7, 2017

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

By: Rolanda Hartfield, Deputy

Contact: Anna Roth,  
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BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

12, 2016, the Board of Supervisors approved Contract #26-583-21 (as amended by Amendment Agreements #26-583-22, and #26-583-23) with Specialty Laboratories, Inc., to provide outside laboratory services for CCRMC, for the period from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016. Approval of Contract #26-583-24 will allow the Contractor to continue to provide outside clinical laboratory services, through December 31, 2018.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this contract is not approved, patients requiring specialized laboratory testing at CCRMC will not have access to Contractor's services.