



**Contra
Costa
County**

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

Subject: Purchase Order with Becton Dickinson Microbiology

RECOMMENDATION(S):

Approve and authorize the Purchasing Agent, on behalf of Health Services Department, to execute a Purchase Order with Becton Dickinson and Company in the amount of \$1,000,000 to purchase test reagents and related laboratory supplies for the Public Health Laboratory, for the period from March 1, 2017 through February 28, 2019.

FISCAL IMPACT:

100% Funding is included in the Hospital Enterprise Fund I Budget.

BACKGROUND:

Becton Dickinson is the sole source provider of reagents for the Viper Qx System (for sexually transmitted diseases) and the Mycobacteria Growth Indicator Tubes (MGIT) system (for tuberculosis). These reagents are used to conduct testing at our Public Health Laboratory. The reagents are highly sensitive and specific for the organism being tested. These instruments take significantly less time to identify the organisms than with other testing systems, allowing for a quicker diagnosis and response.

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **03/07/2017** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: John Gioia, District I
Supervisor
Diane Burgis, District III
Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV
Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V
Supervisor

ABSENT: Candace Andersen, District II
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: March 7, 2017

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

By: Rolanda Hartfield, Deputy

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CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this Purchase Order is not approved, the health care system will not be able to provide testing for Chlamydia and Gonorrhea which are the most commonly reported sexually transmitted diseases according to Centers for Disease Control (CDC). This could result in increased rates of these sexually transmitted diseases in Contra Costa County. In addition, the turnaround time for tuberculosis testing would be greatly increased if the Public Health Lab did not have the (MGIT) tubes for tuberculosis detection.