



**Contra
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County**

To: Contra Costa County Fire Protection District Board of Directors
From: Lewis T. Broschard III, Chief, Contra Costa Fire Protection District
Date: March 30, 2021

Subject: GEMT Overpayment for FY 2016-17

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Auditor-Controller, on behalf of the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District, to make a payment to the State of California Department of Health Care Services in an amount not to exceed \$151,731 for a Ground Emergency Medical Transportation Program overpayment for FY 2016-17.

FISCAL IMPACT:

100% CCCFPD EMS Transport Fund (204000)

BACKGROUND:

The California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), Safety Net Financing Division, Ground Emergency Medical Transportation (GEMT) Program provides funding to eligible governmental entities that provide emergency ambulance services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries. DHCS conducted an audit of the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District GEMT cost reports for the fiscal year ending (FYE) June 30, 2017. As a result of the audit, an overpayment was identified in the amount of \$151,730.36.

At the time the GEMT cost reports were prepared, providers were advised not to include dry

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY
ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD
COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **03/30/2021** ☒ 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: March 30, 2021

, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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runs. A dry run is an ambulance response that does not result in a patient transport. The State's position on the inclusion

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

of dry runs has since changed and providers are now required to report dry runs in GEMT cost reports. Reporting of dry runs increases the overall number of qualifying "transports," thus lowering the provider's average cost per transport. A lower cost per transport results in a lower supplemental payment to the provider.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If the payment is not made, the District will not be eligible to participate in Medi-Cal supplement payment programs in the future.

ATTACHMENTS

DHCS Demand Letter

Adjusted Cost Report Schedule