



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: Anna Roth, Health Services Director
Date: September 20, 2022

Subject: Amendment Agreement #26-583-34 with Specialty Laboratories, Inc. (dba Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute)

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the Health Services Director, or designee, to execute on behalf of the County Contract Amendment Agreement #26-583-34 with Specialty Laboratories, Inc. (dba Quest Diagnostic Nichols Institute), a corporation, effective August 10, 2022, to amend Contract #26-583-30, (as amended by Amendment Agreements #26-583-31 and #26-583-32) to modify the rate schedule to include additional outside laboratory testing services with no change to the payment limit of \$7,000,000 or term of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This amendment will not impact the original payment limit of \$7,000,000 which has been funded by 71% Hospital Enterprise Fund I and 29% Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act. (Additional rate)

BACKGROUND:

Specialty Laboratories, Inc. (dba Quest Diagnostics Nichols Institute) provides outside clinical laboratories testing for tests that are rarely requested and require special equipment which CCRMC does not have onsite. This contract also includes COVID-19 testing which

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **09/20/2022** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

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

ABSENT: Diane Burgis, District III
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: September 20, 2022

Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: June McHuen, Deputy

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helps to serve as a backup if needed. This contractor has been providing outside clinical laboratory testing for CCRMC since January 2007.

On January 19, 2021, the Board of Supervisors approved Contract #26-583-30 with Specialty Laboratories, Inc. (dba Quest Diagnostic Nichols Institute), in an amount not to exceed \$7,000,000 for the provision of outside clinical laboratory services, with no change in the payment limit or term for the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022.

On January 18, 2022, the Board of Supervisors approved Contract Amendment Agreement #26-583-31 effective May 1, 2021, to include additional outside clinical laboratory services, with no change in the payment limit of \$7,000,000 or term January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022.

On May 24, 2022, the Board of Supervisors approved Contract Amendment Agreement #26-583-32, effective April 15, 2022, to modify the contract language to include additional third-party billing services in addition to outside clinical laboratory services, with no change in

BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

the payment limit of \$7,000,000 or term January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022.

Approval of Contract Amendment Agreement #26-583-34 will allow the contractor to provide additional outside laboratory testing services for the Monkey Pox virus, with no change in the payment limit of \$7,000,000 or term of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022. Due to the urgent nature of the Monkey Pox virus outbreak the Department is requesting this contract amendment be effective August 10, 2022, as this is the date the contractor made testing available at CCRMC and Contra Costa Health Centers for the benefit of County patients.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

If this amendment is not approved, the contractor will not provide additional testing services for Monkey Pox virus potentially causing the virus to spread faster through the community.