

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Public Health	(2) MEETING DATE 7/9/2013	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Nancy Rosen / 781-5518	
(4) SUBJECT Request to approve a renewal agreement (Clerk's File) with the Lucia Mar Unified School District for a five (5) year period from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2018 in the amount not to exceed \$3,250,000 to access School Based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities funding.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board: (1) Approve and direct the chairperson to sign a renewal agreement with Lucia Mar Unified School for a five (5) year period from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2018 in the amount not to exceed \$3,250,000 to access School Based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities funding; (2) Authorize the Health Agency Director to sign future amendments to the Agreement with Lucia Mar School District that do not increase the level of General Fund support required by the Health Agency.			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) Federal	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$650,000.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$650,000.00	(9) BUDGETED? Yes
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. ___) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. ___)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input type="checkbox"/> N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) 19001280		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5th's Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP N/A	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input type="checkbox"/> N/A    Date: <u>July 12, 2011</u>	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW  Reviewed by Leslie Brown			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts -			

# County of San Luis Obispo



TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jeff Hamm, Health Agency Director  
Mike Stevens, Deputy Director

DATE: July 9, 2013

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

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## **DISCUSSION**

The State Department of Health Care Services contracts with San Luis Obispo County for School-Based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (SMAA). The SMAA Program reimburses school districts for the federal share of certain costs for administering the Medi-Cal program. Eligible administrative activities include:

- Referring students to medical services covered under Medi-Cal;
- Facilitating the Medi-Cal application;
- Arranging and providing transportation to Medi-Cal covered services;
- Contracting for Medi-Cal services;
- Medi-Cal program planning and policy development; and
- Medi-Cal administrative activities coordination and claims administration.

Currently, the Public Health Department access SMAA funding through the State on behalf of the Lucia Mar School District, San Luis Coastal Unified School District and Templeton Unified School District. SMAA is a federally funded program designed to assist counties in recouping administrative costs associated with enrolling clients into the Medi-Cal program and helping clients access Medi-Cal covered services. Our Public Health Department is designated by the State Department of Health Care Services as one of the two leads for claiming Medi-Cal Administrative Activities funding within San Luis Obispo County.

Allowable costs for SMAA reimbursement include salaries and benefits of the staff performing the activities and applicable operating expenses. School district employees document the time they worked on SMAA activities by completing time surveys. SMAA claims are based on three (3) factors: 1) a time study; 2) the Medi-Cal eligibility rate of the District's entire student population; and 3) the cost of providing outreach activities for Medi-Cal.

Additionally, the Public Health Department access MAA funding for County programs including Public Guardian, Nursing, Public Health Administration, County Probation, and Children and Families Commission (First 5). Public Health receives 5% of the reimbursement as an administrative fee for processing SMAA claims and coordination/oversight of the SMAA Program. As part of the oversight, Public Health ensures all State and Federal requirements are met.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT**

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the renewal agreement as to form and legal effect.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

The agreement reimburses Lucia Mar up to \$650,000 per year for the duration of the five (5) year agreement. Of that amount, Public Health will receive 5%, or \$32,500, as the administrative fee for processing SMAA claims on behalf of the Lucia Mar School District and oversight of the SMAA Program. The expense and revenue for this agreement is included in the FY 2013-14 budget.

The following is a summary of the agreement amounts by fiscal year:

FY 2013-14	\$650,000
FY 2014-15	\$650,000
FY 2015-16	\$650,000
FY 2016-17	\$650,000
FY 2017-18	\$650,000

**RESULTS**

Approval of the renewal agreement will allow Public Health to access federal funding for School Based MAA Program costs on behalf of the Lucia Mar School District. The funds allow schools to provide increased access to Medi-Cal services in the community that ultimately leads to a healthier population.

**ATTACHMENTS**

1. Clerk's File Statement for Agreement with Lucia Mar Unified School District