REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY AND RECORD OF ACTION

August 6, 2024

FROM

ARLENE MOLINA, Assistant Director, Preschool Services Department

SUBJECT

Non-Financial Contracts for Dental Services

RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 1. Approve Amendment No. 1 to non-financial Contract No. 22-410 with GeriSmiles Mobile Dental Hygiene Practice, Inc., for the provision of dental services to children enrolled in the Early Head Start, Early Head Start Child Care Partnership, Head Start, and State Preschool programs, extending the contract 14 months, for a total contract period of July 1, 2022, through August 31, 2026.
- 2. Approve Amendment No. 1 to non-financial Contract No. 21-624 with Morongo Basin Healthcare District, for the provision of dental services to children enrolled in the Early Head Start, Early Head Start Child Care Partnership, Head Start, and State Preschool programs, extending the contract two years, for a total contract period of September 1, 2021, through August 31, 2026.
- 3. Approve non-financial **Contract No. 24-737** with Pomona Community Health Center dba ParkTree Community Health Center, for the provision of dental services to children enrolled in the Early Head Start, Early Head Start Child Care Partnership, Head Start, and State Preschool programs, for the period of September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2026.

(Presenter: Arlene Molina, Assistant Director, 383-2078)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Provide for the Safety, Health, and Social Service Needs of County Residents.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

This item is non-financial in nature and as such, does not impact Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). The contractors will bill Denti-Cal, other third-party payers, or public programs for services provided. The Preschool Services Department (PSD) will not be responsible for any compensation for these services.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

PSD operates the Early Head Start (EHS), Early Head Start - Child Care Partnership (EHS-CCP), Head Start (HS), General Child Care and Development Program (CCTR), and State Preschool (CSPP) programs which serve more than 2,000 children through direct services in locations throughout San Bernardino County. These programs provide education, health, cognitive, social/emotional, physical growth and development, and parent involvement services for children ages zero to five with the overall goal of increasing family engagement and the school readiness of young children in economically disadvantaged families. PSD partners with dental service providers to provide dental services to children enrolled in these programs.

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GeriSmiles Mobile Dental Hygiene Practice, Inc. (GeriSmiles) is a mobile dental service, providing preventative dental treatment and education with the goal of improving oral health.

Morongo Basin Healthcare District (MBHD) operates in the unincorporated area of Morongo Basin, the City of Twentynine Palms and the Town of Yucca Valley and contracts with licensed health care professionals to provide dental care services to patients.

Pomona Community Health Center dba ParkTree Community Health Center (ParkTree) operate several Federally Qualified Health Centers in the cities of San Bernardino, Pomona and Ontario, and contract with licensed health care professionals for the provision of health and dental care services to patients.

On August 24, 2021 (Item No. 26), the Board of Supervisors (Board) approved non-financial Contract No. 21-624 with MBHD for the provision of dental services, for the period of September 1, 2021, through August 31, 2024.

On June 14, 2022 (Item No. 42), the Board approved non-financial Contract No. 22-410 with GeriSmiles for the provision of dental services, for the period of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2025.

The recommended non-financial contracts with GeriSmiles, MBHD, and ParkTree, will allow PSD to provide mobile dental services to children enrolled in EHS, EHS-CCP, HS, CCTR, and CSPP programs at designated PSD school site locations. Services provided by GeriSmiles, MBHD, and ParkTree include dental disease risk assessment; preventive procedures such as application of fluoride varnish, dental prophylaxis, and periodontal scaling; preventive care, health promotion and prevention education; and periodic dental examinations for continuity of care. Pursuant to federal Head Start guidelines, initial dental screenings are required within 90 days after the child first attends the program.

PROCUREMENT

N/A

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by Human Services Contracts (Patty Steven, Contracts Manager, 388-0241) on July 18, 2024; County Counsel (Adam Ebright, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on July 18, 2024; Finance (Paul Garcia, Administrative Analyst, 386-8392) on July 19, 2024; and County Finance and Administration (Cheryl Adams, Deputy Executive Officer, 388-0238) on July 22, 2024.

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APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

Moved: Joe Baca, Jr. Seconded: Curt Hagman Ayes: Col. Paul Cook (Ret.), Jesse Armendarez, Dawn Rowe, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca, Jr.

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

DATED: August 6, 2024



PSD - Petersen w/agrees CC:

Contractor - c/o PSD w/agree

File - w/agree

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