

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

March 26, 2024

FROM

WILLIAM L. GILBERT, Director, Arrowhead Regional Medical Center

SUBJECT

Amendment to Agreement with Inland Empire Health Plan for Reimbursement Rates

RECOMMENDATION(S)

1. Approve **Amendment No. 11 to Hospital Per Diem Agreement No. 20-887** with Inland Empire Health Plan to increase Arrowhead Regional Medical Center's reimbursement rates and update certain provisions relating to Inland Empire Health Plan's Covered California Network, retroactively effective January 1, 2023, and no changes to the total term of October 1, 2020 through December 31, 2024.
2. Direct the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to maintain the confidentiality of Amendment No. 11 to Hospital Per Diem Agreement No. 20-887, pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 1457(c)(1).

(Presenter: William L. Gilbert, Director, 580-6150)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

Operate in a Fiscally-Responsible and Business-Like Manner

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

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Approval of this item will not result in the use of Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). Expenditures for medical services provided to Inland Empire Health Plan (IEHP) members are funded through reimbursements from IEHP. Adequate appropriation and revenue have been included in the Arrowhead Regional Medical Center (ARMC) 2023-24 budget and will be included in 2024-25 recommended budget.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This recommended amendment will provide an increase in the reimbursement rates to the County for medical services provided at ARMC to IEHP members. ARMC has been a designated hospital provider within IEHP's network since 2008, providing in-patient services, emergency services, and other outpatient care services. The amendment will also update the citation references relating to the contract between IEHP and the State of California.

Approval of this amendment will be retroactively effective to January 1, 2023, resulting in additional revenue to ARMC based on increase of certain reimbursement rates. Discussions regarding new reimbursement rates began in December 2023 and concluded the end of January 2024. This item is being retroactively presented at this time as this is the first available date following the required operational, fiscal, and legal reviews.

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On September 15, 2020 (Item No. 15), the Board of Supervisors (Board) approved Agreement No. 20-887 with IEHP to provide reimbursement for medical services rendered by ARMC to IEHP members, for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2023. The Board has since approved 10 amendments to Agreement No. 20-887 to allow ARMC to receive supplemental payments for Medi-Cal managed care capitation rate range increases during State established claim periods, update program eligibility, amend compensation and reimbursement rates, and extend the term of the agreement, as follows:

Amendment No.	Board Date	Item No.
1	September 29, 2020	15
2	December 15, 2020	9
3	May 18, 2021	10
4	August 10, 2021	7
5	October 26, 2021	12
6	December 7, 2021	9
7	March 15, 2022	11
8	February 7, 2023	9
9	March 28, 2023	13
10	February 27, 2024	8

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 1457(c)(1) specific terms related to the rates of payment for health care services are not immediately subject to laws related to public records; therefore, the Clerk of the Board is directed to maintain the confidentiality of this amendment.

PROCUREMENT

Not applicable.

REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Charles Phan, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on March 14, 2024; Finance (Chen Wu, Finance and Budget Officer, 580-3165) on March 1, 2024; Finance (Jenny Yang, Administrative Analyst, 387-4884) on March 5, 2024; and County Finance and Administration (Valerie Clay, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-5423) on March 5, 2024.

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Record of Action of the Board of Supervisors
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APPROVED (CONSENT CALENDAR)

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

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY  _____
DATED: March 26, 2024



cc: ARMC - Gilbert w/agree
 Contractor - c/o ARMC w/agree
 File - w/agree (BAI only)
 File - Confidential files w/agree
CCM 03/28/2024