

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

March 12, 2024

FROM

WILLIAM L. GILBERT, Director, Arrowhead Regional Medical Center

SUBJECT

Non-Financial Transfer Agreement with Blessing Community Health Center for the Transfer of Patients

RECOMMENDATION(S)

Approve non-financial Transfer **Agreement No. 24-203** with Blessing Community Health Center to allow for the transfer of patients who require higher level of care services to Arrowhead Regional Medical Center for the five-year period of March 12, 2024 through March 11, 2029.
(Presenter: William L. Gilbert, Director, 580-6150)

COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES

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) as the Transfer Agreement (Agreement) is non-financial in nature. No funds will be exchanged between Arrowhead Regional Medical Center (ARMC) and Blessing Community Health Center (BCHC) for the transfer of patients. Each facility will be responsible for billing the applicable third-party payors for the costs associated with patient care provided at the respective facilities.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Approval of the Agreement with BCHC will allow ARMC to accept patients who require a specialized higher level of care from BCHC. The Agreement will facilitate the continuity of care and timely transfer of patients and their records between facilities should a patient at BCHC require a higher level of care that is available at ARMC. All patient transfers will be in accordance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations, standards of regulatory agencies, and reasonable policies and procedures of the facility.

The Agreement will provide for the safety, health and social service needs of County residents by ensuring the availability and provision of higher-level patient care for patients of BCHC. ARMC recommends approval of this Agreement to provide care and services to patients that require medical services not available at BCHC.

PROCUREMENT

Not applicable.

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REVIEW BY OTHERS

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Charles Phan, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on February 6, 2024; ARMC Finance (Chen Wu, Finance and Budget Officer, 580-3165) on February 16, 2024; Finance (Jenny Yang, Administrative Analyst, 387-4884) on February 20, 2024; and County Finance and Administration (Valerie Clay, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-5423) on February 23, 2024.

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

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

Lynna Monell, CLERK OF THE BOARD

BY 
DATED: March 12, 2024



cc: ARMC - Gilbert w/agree
Contractor - c/o ARMC w/agree
File - w/agree
CCM 03/14/2024