



# CITY OF LONG BEACH

# R-13

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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April 11, 2017

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
City of Long Beach  
California

## RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement, and any subsequent amendments with the State of California Department of Health Care Services, to receive reimbursement for allowable Medi-Cal Administrative Activities, in an amount not to exceed \$2,250,000 for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020. (Citywide)

## DISCUSSION

On April 15, 2014, the City Council authorized a grant agreement with the State of California Department of Health Care Services (State) to accept funding in the amount of up to \$2,250,000, for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017, for the Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (MAA) Program.

Since 1994, the City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department) has received funding through a contract with the State for the performance of administrative activities related to the MAA Program. The purpose of the MAA Program is to ensure that Medi-Cal eligible individuals are enrolled and assisted in navigating the Medi-Cal system. The program also works to ensure that programs and policies assist in removing any barriers to Medi-Cal enrollment and Medi-Cal covered health care services. Administrative activities include outreach, facilitating Medi-Cal applications, non-emergency transportation support, program planning, and policy development.

Under the terms of the new three-year MAA agreement (July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020), the Health Department will continue to be reimbursed for a portion of staff time and expenses to conduct outreach and engage eligible clients in the Medi-Cal system.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda T. Vu on March 21, 2017 and by Revenue Management Officer Geraldine Alejo on March 27, 2017.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on April 11, 2017, to comply with State requirements.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City will receive reimbursement revenues of up to \$750,000 for each grant year from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2020 to partially reimburse the cost of federally eligible Medi-Cal administrative activities. The maximum reimbursement amount of the agreement is \$2,250,000 for this three-year period. This is a reimbursement-based program whereby the Health Department will receive revenues for services provided as part of the normal course of public health business practice. The Health Department will utilize existing staff throughout the Department to perform these Medi-Cal administrative activities during the course of their daily duties. The grant has no match or in-kind service requirement. Sufficient appropriations exist in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Health and Human Services Department (HE) to support this activity. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

**SUGGESTED ACTION:**

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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DIRECTOR  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:

  
PATRICK H. WEST  
CITY MANAGER