

Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute any necessary amendments to the current agreements between the City of Long Beach and Los Angeles County, in the amount of \$1,077,433 to provide Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)/Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) medical care coordination and benefits specialty services for the period of November 20, 2012 through February 28, 2015, and increase appropriations in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Department of Health and Human Services (HE) by \$615,676. (Citywide)

Since 1998, Los Angeles County has contracted with the City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department) to provide Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)/Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) clinical services. The medical outpatient program provides medical services to approximately 300 patients annually, and strives to interrupt or delay the progression of HIV/AIDS disease and promote optimal health for the client. Services include: diagnosis, treatment, counseling, and referrals for appropriate specialty services.

Medical care coordination services include an individual client assessment to ascertain their physical, psychosocial, environmental, and financial needs, and to facilitate their access to the appropriate service provider. The program serves approximately 250 individuals with HIV/AIDS infection who are medically indigent and would have no other means of accessing care. The Health Department also actively collaborates with and obtains referrals from service organizations and agencies beyond traditional HIV/AIDS case management service delivery systems, including but not limited to: substance abuse, mental health, specialty services, and social service organizations.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Vu on March 26, 2013 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on April 3, 2013.

City Council action is requested on April 16, 2013, as the Health Department has been providing services under this contract since November 20, 2012, but will be unable to recover costs until the amendments are approved. Delays at the County level have kept this amendment from being executed earlier.

The amount of the agreements total \$1,077,433 for the period of November 20, 2012 through February 28, 2015. Funds for Medical Care Coordination services have been appropriated, however, an appropriations increase of \$615,676 is requested for the current year, and is included in the recommendation. The remaining amount of \$461,757 will be requested as part of the FY 14 budget process. There is no impact to the General Fund, no City match, and no net impact to jobs associated with the recommended action.

Approve recommendation.

SUSAN PRICE, ACTING DIRECTOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST CITY MANAGER