

Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement, and any subsequent amendments, with the State of California Department of Health Care Services, for the continued provision of Targeted Case Management Services to eligible Medi-Cal and non-Medi-Cal beneficiaries, effective July 1, 2019 and continuing in full force and effect until terminated by either party, for an estimated annual revenue of \$120,000. (Citywide)

Targeted Case Management (TCM) is a federal program of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), which is a part of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. This program is administered by the State of California Department of Health Care Services (State), which acts as a pass-through agency. Since 1997, the City of Long Beach Health and Human Services Department (Health Department), has provided TCM services to eligible Medi-Cal and non-Medi-Cal beneficiaries under a TCM Provider Participation Agreement (PPA) with the State.

The TCM program assists defined targeted population groups in accessing needed medical, social, educational, and other services. TCM service components include: comprehensive assessment and periodic reassessment of client status; development of an Individual Services Plan (ISP) for each beneficiary; referral and linkage activities; and, monitoring and follow up activities. There are five defined targeted population groups for the TCM program: (1) children under the age of 21; (2) medically-fragile individuals; (3) individuals at risk of institutionalization; (4) individuals at jeopardy of negative health or psycho-social outcomes; and, (5) individuals with a communicable disease. Since July 2016, over 400 individuals have received TCM services through the Health Department, with mostly children and medically-fragile individuals being the primary beneficiaries.

TCM services are provided to targeted population groups via several City programs, including the Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health (MCAH) Program, Nurse Family Partnership (NFP) Program, and Black Infant Health (BIH) Program. Funding for these programs is provided by various sources, including County, State and federal grants. Funding from these external sources is insufficient to cover all of the City's costs associated with these programs. Thus, the City is required to use realignment funds to fill the funding gap. The City recovers a portion of its realignment expenditures via the TCM program.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda T. Vu on December 19, 2018 and by Budget Management Officer Rhutu Amin Gharib on January 9, 2019.

City Council action is requested on February 5, 2019, to allow for timely billing and revenue capture.

The Health Department will receive reimbursement from the State based on the number of qualified TCM encounters provided to eligible non-Medi-Cal and Medi-Cal beneficiaries. While the agreement does not specify a dollar amount, an annual reimbursement of \$120,000 is estimated and budgeted in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Health and Human Services Department (HE). Subsequent budgets will be appropriated as part of the annual budget process. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

KELLY COLOPY DIRECTOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST CITY MANAGER