RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2020-345

MEETING: June 23, 2020

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chevon Kothari, Health and Human Services Director

RE: Agreement - CMSP Local Indigent Care Needs (LICN) Grant

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Approve an Agreement for the County Medical Services Program (CMSP) - Local Indigent Care Needs (LICN) Grant for $50,000 Planning Funds to Implement a Community Information Exchange (CIE) Program; and authorize the Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) Director to sign the Agreement.

The CMSP Governing Board seeks to expand the delivery of locally-directed indigent care services for low-income uninsured and under-insured adults that lack access to health, behavioral health and associated support services in CMSP counties. The principal goals of the LICN Program are promoting timely delivery of necessary medical, behavioral health and support services to locally identified target populations; link these populations to other community resources and support; and, improve overall health outcomes for these target populations.

Given the adoption of a Systems of Care approach within HHSA, our team would use LICN funds, if awarded, to plan the design and implementation of a Community Information Exchange (CIE). A CIE is a software application that can share information across various collaborative entities for improved care coordination and case management. The CIE will also serve as a data repository so that we can better capture data and measure outcomes. The CIE also has a public-facing side that will allow community members to identify and access services that may benefit them.

The CMSP LICN grant agreement received initial approval from Board of Supervisors on April 7, 2020. However, the outbreak of COVID 19 virus and subsequent changes in County operations negatively impacted the ability of HHSA and CMSP to properly administer terms of the agreement. With this understanding, CMSP did not sign the Board-approved agreement for full execution.

For this new agreement, HHSA and CMSP request implementation of the CIE program as originally stated, but changes to both the commencement date from April 1, 2020 to July 1, 2020 and the end date extension to September 28, 2021.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
The Board of Supervisors approved submittal of CMSP LICN grant application on
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December 17, 2019 through Resolution No. 2019-713.

The Board of Supervisors approved CMSP LICN grant agreement on April 7, 2020 through Resolution No. 2020-172.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
The Board can choose to not apply for the CMSP Grant and HHSA will need to seek alternative funding sources for the implementation of a CIE in the future.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
The Project will be fully funded by CMSP with a 10% in-kind match from HHSA Staff time to work on this Project. There is no impact to the County General Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:
CMSP LICN Agreementv2 - Wcsignature - HHSA   (PDF)
CMSP - Indigent Care Needs (2020-172) 4.1.20-3.31.2021 Wcountysignatures (PDF)

RESULT:  ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:  Merlin Jones, District II Supervisor
SECONDER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor
AYES: Smallcombe, Jones, Long, Cann, Menetrey