

**DEPARTMENT:**  
Public Health

**BY:**  
C. B. Mosher, MD, Health Officer

**PHONE:**  
966-3689

**RECOMMENDED ACTION AND JUSTIFICATION:** (Policy Item: Yes x No    )

Recommend resolution approving the provision of Hepatitis B Vaccine to certain members of the Sheriff's Search and Rescue Team and appropriating \$1,000 for that purpose. The Sheriff's Department has determined that certain members of it's Search and Rescue Team will occasionally be placed in situations which may expose them to the bodily fluids (including blood) of people in need of medical services as well as search and rescue services. As a result, these members of the Search and Rescue Team, identified by name and 16 in number according to the Sheriff's Department, may sometimes be at risk for exposure to various communicable diseases including Hepatitis B. In this way, they will have the same type of exposure, on occasion, as Volunteer Fire Fighter/First Responders and Paramedics. Because there is a good vaccine available against Hepatitis B, it is preferable to vaccinate these individuals before exposure if they are to continue in that capacity.

If the Board determines that it wishes to have these Search and Rescue individuals continue in a capacity that will occasionally expose them to this risk, it is recommended by the Health Officer that the County provide the current standard of protection which includes education regarding avoidance of blood-borne disease and also vaccination against Hepatitis B. The cost of the vaccine is usually \$100 per person but the Health Department can obtain it for somewhat less.

The Health Department has identified \$400 in its Emergency Medical Services line item which can be diverted from purchase of training equipment to the purpose of purchasing this vaccine if the Board determines to go forward with provision of the vaccine. However, an additional appropriation of \$1,000 will be necessary in this fiscal year. It was decided that this vaccine should be made available to the Search and Rescue personnel as soon as possible if they are to continue in the capacity that would put them at risk and that would imply not postponing appropriation for and provision of the vaccine until next fiscal year's budgetary process is complete.

**BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:**

Several years ago, the Board determined that Volunteer Fire Fighters who obtained the necessary training to become First Responders and agreed to serve the community in that capacity would be provided with Hepatitis B vaccination, at County expense, before beginning their duties. Appropriation for this expenditure is made annually in the Health Department budget. There is, however, no appropriation for provision of this vaccine to Search and Rescue personnel.

**LIST ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:**

1. Direct that Search and Rescue personnel should not be involved in situations involving contact with bodily fluids. This may have implications for victims of trauma who are initially accessible only to people with the training that the Search and Rescue Technical Team has.
2. Hold off on appropriating money for Hepatitis B Vaccine for Search and Rescue personnel until next fiscal year. Anyone on the Search and Rescue Team exposed to potentially infectious bodily in the interim fluids would be cared for under a "post exposure" protocol.

**COSTS:** ( ) Not Applicable

A. Budgeted current FY	\$ 0.
B. Total anticipated costs	\$ 1,400.
C. Required additional funding	\$ 1,000.
D. Internal transfers	\$ 400.

**SOURCE:** ( ) 4/5ths Vote Required

A. Unanticipated revenues	\$ _____
B. Reserve for contingencies	\$ _____
C. Source description:	_____

Balance in Reserve for Contingencies,  
if approved: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

List the attachments and number the pages consecutively:

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Res. No.: 98-244 Ord. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Vote - Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_ Noes: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Absent: \_\_\_\_\_ Abstained: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ( ) Approved ( ) Denied  
 ( ) Minute Order Attached ( ) No Action Necessary

The foregoing instrument is a correct copy of the original on file in this office.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ATTEST: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board  
 County of Mariposa, State of California  
 By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Deputy

**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:**

This item on agenda as:

Recommended  
 Not Recommended  
 For Policy Determination  
 Submitted with Comment  
 Returned for Further Action

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

A.O. Initials: [Signature]

MARIPOSA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

MINUTE ORDER

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TO: DR. MOSHER, Health Officer and  
ROGER MATLOCK, Sheriff

FROM: MARGIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of the Board *MW*

SUBJECT: Hepatitis B Vaccine; Res. 98-244

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THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MARIPOSA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA,

ADOPTED THIS Order on June 23, 1998

ACTION AND VOTE:

Dr. Mosher, Health Officer;

B) Resolution Approving the Provision of Hepatitis B Vaccine to Certain Members of the Sheriff's Search and Rescue Team and Appropriating \$1,000 for that Purpose (4/5ths Vote Required) (Health/Sheriff)

**BOARD ACTION:** Discussion was held with Dr. Mosher and Roger Matlock, Sheriff, concerning this matter, funding sources, and relative to including all members that may be exposed at this time. (M)Parker, (S)Balmain, Res. 98-244 adopted transferring \$1,000 within Health Department budget and transferring \$4,100 from General Fund Contingency, making available a total of \$5,100 to provide the Hepatitis B Vaccine to members of the Sheriff's Search and Rescue Team. Further discussion was held. Suzanne Turpin, Medical Leader for Search and Rescue, provided input. Ayes: Unanimous.

cc: Ken Hawkins, Auditor  
Janet Hogan, County Administrative Officer  
File

### BUDGET ACTION FORM

FUND	DEPT/DIV	ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	INCREASE	DECREASE																															
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**ACTION REQUESTED:** (Check all that apply)

Budget appropriation by Board of Supervisors (4/5ths Vote Required): Amending the total amount available in the county budget, or in any one fund of the budget, or transferring appropriation from Contingencies;

Transfer by Board of Supervisors (3/5ths Vote Required): Moving existing appropriations from one budget to another, or between categories within a budget unit;

**JUSTIFICATION:** Provides for Hepatitis B vaccinations for members of the Sheriff's Search and Rescue Team

DEPT HEAD SIGNATURE Jr DATE 6/26/98

APPROVED BY RES NO. \_\_\_\_\_ CLERK \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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