

**COUNTY OF SONOMA
AGENDA ITEM
SUMMARY REPORT**

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Agenda Item No:

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Department: Health Services

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Board Date:
6/16/09

Deadline for Board Action:

AGENDA SHORT TITLE: HIV Treatment and Care Funding and Contracts

REQUE3STED BOARD ACTIONS:

Accept the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Modernization Act Part A-Formula award of \$767,974 and Part A-Supplemental award of \$349,983 for March 1, 2009 – February 28, 2010 (total grant award \$1,117,957).

Authorize the Director of Health Services to execute modifications to contracts with community HIV service providers, extending the term through February 28, 2010, and any future amendments, subject to County Counsel review, that do not significantly change the scope of work (\$950,263).

CURRENT FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT

EXPENDITURES

ADDITIONAL FUNDS REQUIRING BOARD APPROVAL

Estimated Cost \$368,926

Contingencies
(Fund Name:)

Amount Budgeted 368,926

Unanticipated Revenue
(Source:)

Other Available Appropriations
(Explain below)

Other Transfer(s)
(Source:)

Additional Requested: \$ 0

Additional Funds Requested: \$ 0

Explanation (if required): The amount of \$368,926 is included in the FY 08-09 Final Budget; the remaining \$749,031 is included in the FY 09-10 Proposed Budget.

Prior Board Action(s): 5/13/08 - Accepted the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Modernization Act, Part A-Formula and Supplemental awards for March 1, 2008 – February 28, 2009 and authorized provider services contracts.

Alternatives - Results of Non-Approval: Lost opportunity to take advantage of federal funding to provide services consistent with the Priority Plan for HIV Services for Sonoma County (attached).

BACKGROUND (Note: The Ryan White Part A Notice of Grant Award are on file with the Clerk of the Board.)

In October 1994, the Board appointed the Sonoma County Commission on AIDS (the Commission) to serve as the Sonoma County HIV Health Services Planning Council in fulfillment of Ryan White Comprehensive Resources Emergency (CARE) Act requirements. Since 1994, Department of Health Services (Department) staff has worked with the Commission to design an HIV Health Services Plan for the allocation of Ryan White Part A funds. In September 2006, the Commission approved a FY 07-08 Priority Plan for HIV Services incorporating funding from Ryan White Part A and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA). The Commission subsequently extended their approval of the plan through 2010 with yearly updates of the funding priorities.

The major goal of Ryan White HIV funding is to ensure that HIV positive individuals receive needed medical care and support services. Because of Ryan White funding, in 2008, approximately 750 persons living with HIV/AIDS in Sonoma County received services including: primary medical care, medical case management, medications, dental care, substance abuse treatment, mental health counseling, medical nutrition counseling, medical transportation, linguistic services, and child care.

The Department has received an award of Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Modernization Act Part A Formula and Supplemental funds totaling \$1,117,957 for the award year March 1, 2009 through February 28, 2010. This is an increase of \$95,858 from last year's funding of \$1,022,099.

The Department oversees allocation of fund to ensure compliance with applicable regulations, and that quality services are provided. Recently, the Department has also taken a leadership role in the design and implementation of a countywide quality management and continuous quality improvement program.

The requested board action allows the Department to accept funding and use it to contract with community organizations to provide HIV treatment and support services for HIV positive individuals. The HIV service providers were chosen through a comprehensive Request for Proposal process in 2005. The Department's Center for HIV Prevention and Care is one of the recipients among other community-based agencies providing services under this grant. The contracts are eligible for renewal in FY 09-10 and are contingent upon available funding. The Department may adjust the funding for each contract within ten percent of the total grant award. These adjustments will allow flexibility and more efficient use of funding by affording the option of moving funds from one contractor to another as the needs of clients change.

Attachments: Priority Plan for HIV Services.

On File With Clerk: Ryan White Part A Notice of Grant Award.

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Board Action (If other than "Requested")	Vote:

BACKGROUND: (continued)

The following list of HIV service providers details the proposed contract amounts for FY 09-10 (\$950,263):

County of Sonoma – Center for HIV Prevention and Care	\$337,388
Drug Abuse Alternatives Center	43,501
Face to Face, Sonoma County AIDS Network	228,499
Food For Thought	114,000
Lomi School Foundation	70,000
Sunburst Projects	22,000
West County Health Centers	<u>134,875</u>
Total	\$950,263

The remaining funds will support program administration and oversight (\$55,898), the Sonoma County Commission on AIDS Planning Council operations (\$55,898), and implementation of mandated quality management and program improvement activities, including training, technical support and monitoring of Ryan White programs (\$55,898) for a total of \$1,117,957.

The Commission is developing a new HIV Health Services Plan for the federal fiscal year 2010-2013 funding cycle. Upon approval of the plan in approximately fall 2009, the Department will issue a request for proposals for HIV treatment and care services consistent with the funding priorities outlined in the new HIV Health Services Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The FY 08-09 Final Budget includes \$368,926 in grant funds. The balance of \$749,031 is budgeted in FY 09-10. Realignment in the amount of \$123,839 is included in the FY 09-10 Proposed Budget as part of the required maintenance of effort and will be budgeted at the required maintenance of effort level in FY 10-11. The state budget will not affect federal Ryan White CARE Act funding. There is no contribution from the General Fund.