

*Setting the Standard in Health Care Excellence*

February 27, 2024

Board of Supervisors  
County of Ventura  
800 South Victoria Avenue  
Ventura, California 93009

**Subject:**

**Approval of an Agreement with the California Department of Veterans Affairs for Health Care Services through June 30, 2026; Ratification of the Health Care Agency's Provision of Health Care Services Pending Approval of the Agreement.**

**Recommendations:**

1. That your Board approve and authorize the Health Care Agency (HCA) Director or designee to sign a standard agreement with the California Department of Veterans Affairs for health care services for the term December 1, 2023, through June 30, 2026.
2. Ratify HCA's provision of health care services from December 1, 2023, to the present, pending your Board's approval of the new agreement.

**Reason for Ratification:**

The previous agreement with the California Department of Veterans Affairs expired on November 30, 2023. HCA continued to provide services pending preparation of and your Board's approval of a new agreement.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Mandatory:	No
Source of Funding:	California Department of Veterans Affairs
Funding Match Required:	No
Impact on Other Departments:	N/A

	<u><b>FY 2023-24</b></u>	<u><b>FY 2024-25</b></u>
<b>REVENUE:</b>	\$150,000	\$150,000
<b>DIRECT COSTS:</b>	\$150,000	\$150,000
<b>INDIRECT COSTS:</b>	Minor	Minor
<b>Net Revenue &lt;cost&gt;</b>	\$0	\$0

<b>Current FY 2023-24 Budget Projections for Ventura County Medical Center #3300</b>				
	<b>Adopted Budget</b>	<b>Adjusted Budget</b>	<b>Projected Actual</b>	<b>Estimated Savings/(Deficit)</b>
Expenditures	\$673,790,899	\$673,790,899	\$673,790,899	\$0
Revenue	\$665,452,626	\$665,452,626	\$665,452,626	\$0
Operational Income/(Loss)	(\$8,338,273)	(\$8,338,273)	(\$8,338,273)	\$0

**Sufficient revenue and appropriations for this item are included in the current year’s budget.**

**Strategic Plan Priority:**

The item presented in this Board letter supports the Healthy, Safe, and Resilient Communities strategic priority of the County Strategic Plan as it is designed to meet the goal of providing access to quality healthcare required for our community to thrive.

**Discussion:**

The County of Ventura has provided support to the residents of the Veterans Home of California in Ventura (CalVet) since it opened in December 2010. The home is a 60-bed residential care facility for the elderly, also known as assisted living.

HCA provides inpatient, outpatient, and emergency care services to CalVet residents. The proposed agreement ensures that the medical expenses will be covered by CalVet if a resident does not have another method to pay for medical expenses. The agreement is for a three-year term effective December 1, 2023.

The portions of the agreement concerning compensation paid to HCA are exempt from disclosure under the Public Records Act (Health and Safety Code Section 1457 (c) (1)). If the Board would like further information regarding the rates, the original agreement is retained by Mike Taylor, HCA Chief Financial Officer.

This letter has been reviewed by the County Executive Office, County Counsel, and Auditor-Controller's Office. If you have any questions regarding this item, please call Paul Jaconette, MPH, Director of Strategy and Business Development at 805-677-5105.



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Health Care Agency Director

**Exhibit 1** – Standard Agreement

**Exhibit 2** - A-E: Scope of Work, Service Specification, Budget Detail and Payment Provisions, Special Terms and Conditions  
HIPAA Business Associate Agreement.