

September 26, 2023

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

SUBJECT:

Approval of, and Authorization for the Health Care Agency Director or Designee to Sign, the Fourth Amended and Restated Affiliation Agreement for Resident Training Services with Community Memorial Health System Effective October 1, 2023; Authorization for Non-Material Changes Subject to County Counsel Approval.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That your Board approve, and authorize the Health Care Agency (HCA) Director or designee to sign, the fourth amended and restated affiliation agreement for resident training services with Community Memorial Health System (CMHS) effective October 1, 2023.
2. That your Board authorize non-material changes to the agreement, subject to approval by County Counsel.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact with this item.


DISCUSSION:


The proposed agreement before your Board documents an affiliation between CMHS and Ventura County Medical Center (VCMC) to train resident physicians reciprocally at their respective facilities. Your Board most recently approved the third amended and restated residency affiliation agreement on November 16, 2021.

HCA and CMHS leadership are working on a pediatric collaborative to develop one regional pediatric inpatient service located at VCMC. The agreement before your Board will expand the training for CMHS residents at VCMC to include clinical instruction and experience in pediatric inpatient services. With your Board's approval, these rotations will begin on October 1, 2023.

CMHS currently reimburses the County for the cost it incurs in training CMHS surgical and psychiatric residents on site at VCMC and the County's behavioral health clinics. HCA is still negotiating with CMHS for the reimbursement associated with the addition of the new family medicine residents and will return to your Board for an amendment of the agreement once the negotiations are complete. The agreement is a continuation of a strategic educational partnership of HCA and CMHS.

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 John Fankhauser, M.D., Chief Executive Officer, County Hospitals, at 805-652-6058.



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Health Care Agency Director

EXHIBIT

Exhibit 1 - Community Memorial Health System – Fourth Amended and Restated
Affiliation Agreement for Resident Training Services