

*Setting the Standard in Health Care Excellence*

June 18, 2024

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

**Subject: Approval of, and Authorization for the Purchasing Agent or Designee to Execute, the Agreement with American Insurance Administrators for Administration of the Physician's Portion of the Maddy Emergency Medical Services Fund, in a Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$110,000 for the Period July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, and for Up to Two Additional Periods of One Year Each.**

**Recommendation:**

1. Approve and authorize the Purchasing Agent or designee to sign the agreement for administration of the physician's portion of the Maddy Emergency Medical Services Fund (Maddy) with American Insurance Administrators (AIA) in an amount not-to-exceed \$110,000, effective July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, and up to two years thereafter.

**Fiscal/Mandates Impact:****Mandatory:** No**Source of Funding:** EMED Trust Fund N855**Funding Match Required:** None**Impact on Other Departments:** None

Summary of Revenues and Costs:	<u>FY 2023-24</u>	<u>FY 2024-25</u>
Revenue:	\$ -0-	\$ 110,000
Costs:		
Direct	\$ -0-	\$ 110,000
Indirect-Dept.	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Indirect-County CAP	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Net Costs	\$ -0-	\$ -0-

**FY 2023-24 Budget Projections:**

<b>FY 2023-24 Current Budget for HCA-PH Div 3090 – Emergency Medical Services</b>				
	Adopted Budget	Adjusted Budget	Projected Actuals	Estimated Savings/ (Deficit)
Appropriations	\$ 5,952,292	\$ 6,883,930	\$ 6,767,492	\$ 116,438
Revenue	\$ 4,859,228	\$ 5,487,872	\$ 5,445,584	(\$ 42,288)
Net Cost*	\$ 1,093,064	\$ 1,396,058	\$ 1,321,908	\$74,150

\* Note: Sufficient revenue and appropriations are included in the FY 2024-25 Preliminary Budget for Public Health Emergency Medical Services, Unit 3090.

**Strategic Plan Priority:**

The item presented in this Board letter aligns with the Healthy, Safe, and Resilient Communities strategic priority of the County Strategic Plan as it is designed to meet the goal of providing equitable and timely access to quality public health services.

**Discussion:**

The Maddy Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Fund (Maddy) was established to reimburse physicians in Ventura County who provide medically necessary emergency room services to patients who cannot afford to pay, and for whom payment will not be made through private coverage or by any program funded in whole or in part by the federal or state government.

The County has contracted with American Insurance Administrators (AIA) for many years to provide administrative services to process physician claims for reimbursement from this fund. The services include claims processing, adjudication, payment and issuance of checks, remittance advices, bank reconciliation, and providing claim summary reports and ad-hoc reporting.

The proposed agreement covers the period from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, provides that, unless either party gives written notice of its intent not to renew at least 90 days prior to the end of the term, and subject to receipt of all necessary budgetary approvals by your Board, the agreement will be extended for up to two additional periods of one year each. The cost of this agreement for FY 2024-25 is \$110,000 and is offset by the EMED Trust Fund which is used to fund the physician payments as well as the fund's administrative costs.

This letter has been reviewed by County Counsel, the Auditor-Controller's Office, General Services Agency Procurement Services, and the County Executive Office. If you have any questions regarding this item, please call Rigoberto Vargas at (805) 981-5101.

  
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Exhibit 1 - American Insurance Administration (AIA) Agreement