

Setting the Standard in Health Care Excellence

January 24, 2023

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

SUBJECT

Approval of a Provider Agreement with Blue Cross of California Doing Business As Anthem Blue Cross, Effective November 1, 2022; Ratification of the Health Care Agency's Performance Under the Agreement Pending Board Approval.

RECOMMENDATION

That your Board approve, and authorize the Health Care Agency (HCA) Director or designee to sign, the attached Provider Agreement with Blue Cross of California doing business as Anthem Blue Cross (Anthem) (Exhibit 1) and fee schedule (Exhibit 2), effective November 1, 2022, and ratify HCA's performance under the agreement pending Board approval.

REASON FOR RATIFICATION

While HCA and Anthem finalized negotiations, HCA performed under the terms of this agreement in anticipation of your Board's approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

Mandatory:	No
Source of Funding:	Anthem Blue Cross of California
Funding Match Required:	None
Impact on Other Departments:	NA

Summary of Annual Revenues and Costs under this agreement:

	<u>FY 2022-23</u>	<u>FY 2023-24</u>
REVENUE:	\$1,390,699	\$1,445,525
DIRECT COSTS:	\$1,390,699	\$1,445,525
INDIRECT COSTS:	Minor	Minor
Net Revenue <cost>	\$0	\$0

Current Year Fiscal Budget

Current FY 2022-23 Budget Projections for Ventura County Medical Center #3300				
	Adopted Budget	Adjusted Budget	Projected Actual	Estimated Savings/(Deficit)
Expenditures	\$597,277,305	\$597,277,305	\$597,277,305	\$0
Revenue	\$597,588,755	\$597,588,755	\$597,588,755	\$0
Operational Income/(Loss)	\$311,450	\$311,450	\$311,450	\$0

Sufficient revenue and appropriations are included in the FY 22-23 adopted budget. The operational income includes "Operating Transfers In" that are primarily attributed to County contribution.

DISCUSSION

Anthem is a California corporation offering health care service plans to California residents. Under the proposed agreement, HCA's network of primary care physician services and specialist physician services will be offered as participating providers within the Anthem network, offering covered services to Anthem members.

This agreement will allow Anthem members with HMO and PPO benefit plan coverage to continue accessing covered services at HCA facilities. Currently, Anthem has 98,932 PPO members and 1,150 PPO members in the County of Ventura. The term of the agreement is for three years, effective November 1, 2022, with no automatic renewals.

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 Terry Garman, Director of Contracts, at 805-677-5146.


Barry L. Zimmerman
Health Care Agency Director

EXHIBIT

Exhibit 1 – Anthem Blue Cross of California Provider Services Agreement

Exhibit 2 - Anthem Blue Cross of California Provider Services Fee Schedule 11.01.2022
- 10.31.2025