

Setting the Standard in Health Care Excellence

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

Subject: Approval of, and Authorization for the Director of Public Health to Accept a Grant Award from California Coverage and Health Initiatives in a Notto-Exceed Amount of \$154,103, Effective July 19, 2022 to June 30, 2025, and Sign Related Documents; Ratification of the Public Health Department's Submission of a Letter of Commitment for California Coverage and Health Initiatives, Healthy Kids 2022 Outreach and Enrollment Cooperative Agreement.

### **Recommendations:**

It is recommended that your Board:

- 1. Approve and authorize the Director of Public Health or designee, to accept a grant award from California Coverage and Health Initiatives (CCHI) in a not-to-exceed amount of \$154,103, effective July 19, 2022 to June 30, 2025 and sign related documents subject to County Counsel approval.
- 2. Ratify the Public Health Department's (PHD) submission of a letter of commitment for California Coverage and Health Initiatives, Healthy Kids 2022 Outreach and Enrollment Cooperative Agreement.

#### **Reason for Ratification:**

Due to the timing of notification by CCHI, the department did not have sufficient time to request your Board's approval prior to submitting the letter of commitment. Therefore, approval from the County Executive Office was obtained to submit the letter, and we are now requesting your Board's approval and ratification of the letter of commitment.

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# Fiscal/Mandates Impact:

# Mandatory: No Source of Funding: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Through California Coverage and Health Initiatives Funding Match Required: None Impact on Other Departments: None

Summary of Revenues and Costs:	<u>FY 2022-23</u>	<u>FY 2023-24</u>
Revenue:	\$ 51,368	\$ 51,368
Costs:		
Direct	\$ 51,368	\$ 51,368
Net Costs	\$ -0-	\$ -0-

## FY 2022-23 Budget Projections:

FY 2022-2023 Budget Projection for Public Health, Health Education Unit 3105					
	Adopted Budget	Adjusted Budget	Projected Budget	Estimated Savings (Deficit)	
Appropriations	\$4,488,510	\$6,097,580	\$6,222,591	(\$125,011)	
Revenue	\$4,651,583	\$6,036,515	\$6,139,739	\$103,224	
Net Cost	(\$163,073)	\$61,065	\$82,852	(\$21,787)	

Note: Sufficient appropriations are included in the FY 2022-23 Adjusted Budget for BU#3105

# Discussion:

CCHI is a statewide association of health coverage outreach and enrollment organizations focusing on helping children and families access affordable, quality health coverage and care. The PHD has previously been included in collaborative grant opportunities to enroll children into health coverage programs. CCHI applies for these grants and includes collaborating agencies throughout the state.

CCHI and the Public Health Department's Health Care for All program seek to resume the partnership to provide outreach, education and assistance for children, families, and adults in applying for, and navigating their health care coverage. The funding received for these efforts allows further outreach and enrollment assistance throughout the County.

The Healthy Kids 2022 Outreach and Enrollment Cooperative Agreement award is funded by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services through California Coverage and Health Initiatives to reduce the number of children who are eligible for, but not enrolled Board of Supervisors, February 28, 2023, Healthy Kids 2022 Outreach & Enrollment Page **3** of **3** 

in, Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and to improve retention of eligible children who are enrolled in the programs.

With these funds, the Public Health Department's Health Care for All Program will allow for expansion of outreach and enrollment strategies aimed at educating families about the availability of Medi-Cal and CHIP, identifying children likely to be eligible for these programs, and directly assisting families with the application and renewal process. Our Health Care for All staff's training, knowledge and successful education and enrollment procedures will be the foundation in which we will meet the goals of this agreement.

This letter has been reviewed by County Counsel, the Auditor-Controller's Office 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- CCHI Healthy Kids 2022 Outreach and Enrollment Cooperative Agreement