



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.  
**C16**

For the meeting of: January 9, 2018

Date: November 30, 2017  
To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Connie Beck, Director *MS for Connie Beck*  
Department of Health and Human Services  
Subject: Agreements for the Dental Transformation Initiative – Local Dental Pilot Project

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Authorize the Chair of the Board to execute agreements for the Department of Healthcare Services' Dental Transformation Initiative – Local Dental Pilot Project with the following agencies: Open Door Community Health Centers, Redwood Community Action Agency, Redwoods Rural Health Centers, K'im:aw Medical Center and Dr. Robert Berg;
2. Direct the Clerk of the Board to return two signed originals to Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) – Contract Unit; and
3. Authorize the Director of Public Health or designee to sign future amendments or budget revisions directly related to this agreement upon review and approval of County Counsel and Risk Management.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Public Health Funds

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Prepared by Lara Zintsmaster, AA I CAO Approval *[Signature]*  
REVIEW: Auditor *[Signature]* County Counsel *[Signature]* Human Resources *[Signature]* Other \_\_\_\_\_

TYPE OF ITEM:  
 Consent  
 Departmental  
 Public Hearing  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT**  
Upon motion of Supervisor Bass Seconded by Supervisor Fennell  
Ayes Bass, Fennell, Sundberg, Bohn, Wilson  
Nays \_\_\_\_\_  
Abstain \_\_\_\_\_  
Absent \_\_\_\_\_

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. C-13, C11  
Meeting of: 6/13/17, 9/19/17

and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this Board report.

Dated: 1/9/18  
By: *[Signature]*  
Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

## DISCUSSION:

On June 13, 2017 your Board approved the acceptance of a four year grant awarded to DHHS – Public Health by the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to implement a Local Dental Pilot Project (LDPP) as part of a statewide Dental Transformation Initiative (DTI). The LDPP provides DHHS – Public Health the opportunity to improve dental health for Medi-Cal eligible children by focusing on high-value care coordination, improved access for high-risk children and utilization of performance measures to drive delivery system reform. The LDPP agreement between DHHS – Public Health and DHCS includes a list of community partners, their anticipated roles in the LDPP and includes budgets for each community partner.

On Sept. 19, 2017 your Board approved an agreement between DHHS – Public Health and Humboldt State University's California Center for Rural Policy (CCRP) for the LDPP. CCRP is listed as a key partner for the LDPP and is assisting DHHS – Public Health in the planning and implementation phases of the project. CCRP's primary role in the LDPP is the development of a database to monitor program outcomes and assist in creation of a program logic model. Additionally, CCRP will design outcome measures to track progress and collect, analyze and report on data regarding client progress in the LDPP as part of the evaluation requirements of this project.

Before your Board today are agreements for five (5) of these community partners, including Open Door Community Health Centers (ODCHC), Redwood Community Action Agency (RCAA), Redwoods Rural Health Centers (RRHC), K'im:aw Medical Center and Dr. Robert Berg. These agreements before your Board today align with the responsibilities listed in the LDPP agreement with DHCS. It allows each community partner to assist DHHS – Public Health in the planning, implementation and roll-out of Humboldt County's LDPP.

The ODCHC agreement is from July 1, 2017 to Dec. 31, 2020 with a maximum compensation amount of \$327,455 for the purpose of funding 1.0 full-time equivalent (FTE) Community Dental Health Worker with the intent of promoting high-level case management and cross referrals between the medical and dental sides as well as supporting community outreach related to oral health education and prevention in the Central Humboldt region of the county.

The RCAA agreement is from July 1, 2017 to Dec. 31, 2020 with a maximum compensation amount of \$483,312 for the purpose of funding two (2) FTE Community Dental Health Educator positions and funding the referral of identified high-risk children to the LDPP. RCAA shall conduct oral health assessments, and support community outreach and oral health education in school classrooms, reaching approximately 1,200 children in the greater Eureka-Humboldt Bay region of the county.

The RRHC agreement is from July 1, 2017 to Dec. 31, 2020 with a maximum compensation amount of \$268,004 for the purpose of funding one (1) FTE Community Health Dental Worker position in order to provide high level care coordination, education and outreach to Medi-Cal eligible children and their families, and coordinate school-based and RRHC mobile van dental services in the Southern Humboldt region of the county.

The K'im:aw Medical Center agreement is from July 1, 2017 to Dec. 31, 2020 with a maximum compensation amount of \$220,402 for the purpose of funding one (1) FTE Community Dental Health Worker in order to promote cross-referrals and case management between the medical and dental sides of K'im:aw Medical Center as well as supporting community outreach related to oral health education and prevention within Tribal communities and the Eastern Humboldt region of the county.

The Dr. Robert Berg agreement is from July 1, 2017 to Dec. 31, 2020 with a maximum compensation amount of \$151,200 for the purpose of fulfilling the role as the LDPP's Dental Director, providing technical assistance, quality assurance monitoring and oversight to all of the LDPP Community Dental Health Workers in order to ensure a high quality of preventive services through providing general expertise in the field.

All agreements are on a reimbursement basis. All subcontractors will submit quarterly invoices to the DHHS – Public Health Financial Services office, attend monthly LDPP Care Coordination Team meetings, and provide quarterly data reports in order to receive payment.

These agreements come before your Board after the start date due to the need to ensure the DHCS DTI-LDPP agreement would be fully executed by both parties without required revision, and time in which it takes to create, negotiate and process the agreements.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Approval of these agreements will allow DHHS – Public Health to reimburse for the period of July 1, 2017 through Dec. 31, 2020 in Fund 1175, Budget Unit 413 – Dental Health. The total allocation of DTI-LDPP funding related to these contracts is \$1,450,373. This includes \$327,455 for ODCHC, \$483,312 for RCAA, \$268,004 for RRHC, \$220,402 for K'im:aw Medical Center, and \$151,200 for Dr. Robert Berg. This grant funding was included in the county budget for fiscal year (FY) 2017-18 and will be included in the county budget process for FY's 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21. There is no impact to the General Fund.

These agreements support the Board's Strategic Framework by creating opportunities for improved health and safety and providing community-appropriate levels of service.

#### OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Department of Health Care Services  
Humboldt State University's California Center for Rural Policy

#### ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board could choose not to approve the agreements, however, this would not be recommended, as it would not allow DHHS – Public Health to adequately meet the program obligations of their LDPP agreement with the Department of Health Care Services, which would result in loss of grant funding.

#### ATTACHMENTS:

1. Open Door Community Health Centers Agreement
2. Redwood Community Action Agency Agreement
3. Redwoods Rural Health Centers Agreement
4. K'im:aw Medical Center Agreement
5. Dr. Robert Berg Agreement