



# COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 1/28/2020

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File #: 19-1782

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**To:** Board of Supervisors

**From:** DHHS: Public Health

**Agenda Section:** Consent

**SUBJECT:**

Health Officer Agreement for Fiscal Years (FY) 2019-2021

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the attached Health Officer agreement with Teresa Frankovich, M.D. for services for the remainder of FY 2019-20 and FY 2020-21; and
2. Direct the Clerk of the Board to return the agreement to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) - Contract Unit for forwarding to DHHS - Employee Services.

**SOURCE OF FUNDING:**

Public Health Fund

**DISCUSSION:**

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 101000 and Government Code section 24000, subdivision (s), counties are required to maintain a Health Officer. The Health Officer is required to enforce and observe 1) Board orders and ordinances pertaining to public health matters, quarantines and regulations; 2) orders, including quarantine and other regulations prescribed by the California Department of Public Health; and 3) statutes relating to public health. The Health Officer is further required to implement measures to prevent the spread of communicable diseases such as tuberculosis.

Donald I. Baird, M.D. has served as Humboldt County's Health Officer since January of 2012. Dr. Baird announced his retirement effective Dec. 31, 2019.

On Dec. 10, 2019 (Item K-6), your Board approved the selection of Teresa Frankovich, M.D. as the Health Officer for Humboldt County. This agreement before your Board today authorizes DHHS to maintain Dr. Frankovich's services as Humboldt County's Health Officer effective upon signature by Chair of the Board, through June 30, 2021.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The Health Officer position is included in Fund 1175, Budget Unit 400 - Administration. The full-time

equivalent (FTE) of the position is .70 FTE and the salary, as specified in Exhibit A of the attached agreement, is \$95.98 per hour. The agreement provides that the Health Officer's salary shall be adjusted by the same amount granted to management employees. The annual salary amount has accounted for scheduled pay increases for the remainder of FY 2019-20 and for FY 2020-21. The annual cost of the Health Officer position, including benefits, will be approximately \$210,343. The annual salary for the service agreement with Dr. Frankovich was included in the FY 2019-20 county budget, and will be included in the FY 2020-21 county budget process.

**STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:**

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by providing community-appropriate levels of service and protecting vulnerable populations.

**OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:**

N/A

**ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Your Board may choose to not approve the agreement. However, this is not recommended, as the County is required to maintain a Health Officer pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 101000 and Government Code section 24000, subdivision (s).

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Health Officer Agreement for Services between County of Humboldt and Teresa Frankovich, M.D.

**PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:**

Board Order No.: K-6

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