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COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

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September 29, 1998

AGENDA: October 6, 1998

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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DEFERRAL OF REPORT BACK ON SANTA CRUZ COUNTY HEALTH OPTIONS

Dear Members of the Board:

At your August 25, 1998 meeting your Board received a report on the Santa Cruz County Health Options (SCCHO) expansion into Monterey County and adopted a revised ordinance allowing the expansion to proceed. At that meeting HSA staff was directed, in conjunction with the Managed Medical Care Commission and SCCHO, to meet with the Commission on Disabilities and to report back on the issues on or before October 6, 1998.

On the matter of developing a Member Advocate Program for SCCHO, substantial progress has been made. At their September meeting the Managed Medical Care Commission directed SCCHO staff to proceed with planning and development of a Member Advocate Program. This matter has been reviewed through the Managed Medical Care Commission's committee structure and will be considered by that Commission at their October 7, 1998 meeting. Because of continuing extenuating circumstances due to illness a meeting with the Commission on Disabilities has not yet occurred. This meeting is essential to reviewing the planned Member Advocacy Program and thus is the basis for requesting a deferral of the October 6, 1998 report.

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It is therefore RECOMMENDED that your Board:

1. Accept and file this report; and
2. Authorize and Direct Health Services Agency staff, in conjunction with the Managed Medical Care Commission and SCCHO, to meet with the Commission on Disabilities and then to report back on progress on the issues.

Sincerely,



CHARLES M. MOOBY

Health Services Agency Administrator

RECOMMENDED:



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