



HEALTH SERVICES AGENCY  
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# COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

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AGENDA: February 2, 1999

### BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Santa Cruz County  
701 Ocean Street  
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Re: AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR 1999-2000 TITLE II RYAN WHITE CARE ACT FUNDS

Dear Board Members:

The Health Services Agency is requesting authorization to apply for continuation funding from Title II of the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (CARE) Act for the period April 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000. Title II of the Ryan White Act provides access to various health and social services for low-income persons with HIV infections. Although the application deadline is February 10, 1999, the State has not yet released the final 1999 - 2000 allocation amount. HSA anticipates that the allocation will be equal to or slightly less than the current allocation of \$123,885. The completed application will be placed on file with the Clerk of the Board on or before February 10. This letter also requests authorization for HSA to take related actions in connection with the State revenue agreement and Title II service agreements, as described below.

To receive Title II funds, the County must submit a formal application to the State reflecting local needs as determined by the Santa Cruz County HIV Services Consortium. Services are provided by contractors recommended by the Consortium. As the Consortium's fiscal agent, the County develops and administers these contracts. While the Consortium's contract recommendations have not yet been finalized, it is expected that existing agreements with the Santa Cruz AIDS Project (SCAP) and Food and Nutrition, Inc. will be renewed for 1999-2000. SCAP's services include a medical assistance fund, benefits advocacy, psychosocial case management, and a rent/utility assistance fund for program clients. SCAP's 1998-99 contract amount was \$108,266. Food and Nutrition, Inc. provides home-delivered meals for HIV/AIDS clients through its Meals on Wheels program, with a 1998-99 contract amount of \$3,231.

HSA is requesting authority to negotiate and sign these renewal agreements provided there are no major changes in services and the individual contract amounts vary no more than 10% from the 1998-99 amounts. As in previous years, HSA is also requesting authority to execute contract amendments as needed to reflect minor program changes during the course of the new funding cycle or funding adjustments of up to 10% of the original contract amount. Such adjustments and changes may be necessary because of revised funding priorities by the local HIV Services Consortium or to accommodate State revisions. These service agreements are not County

funded, and any changes would be within current State funding limits and State contractual authorization. HSA will return to your Board if there are substantive service changes, changes in contract amount greater than 10%, or if new contractors are to be added.


The County retains 10% of the Title II funding award to offset administrative costs for acting as the Consortium's fiscal agent, as permitted by Title II funding regulations. The funding application will also include the current State required Memorandum of Understanding between the County and the Consortium which structures the Consortium's duties in establishing local funding priorities and the County's duties as the Consortium's fiscal agent. The 1999 -2000 MOU will have only minor changes and updates from the current year's document.

Title II continuation funding for the April 1 - June 30, 1999, period was anticipated and is included in the 1998-99 adopted County budget. The balance of the funding award will be included in HSA's 1999-2000 budget request.

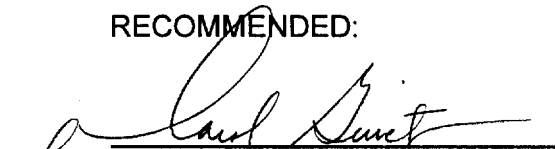
It is therefore RECOMMENDED that your Board:

1. Authorize the Health Service Agency Administrator to submit the application for 1999-2000 Ryan White CARE Act Title II funding and to sign the required certifications.
2. Authorize the HSA Administrator to negotiate and sign Title II Consortium services agreements with the Santa Cruz AIDS Project and Food and Nutrition, Inc. for the period April 1, 1999 through March 31, 2000 and to execute contract amendments reflecting minor service changes or funding adjustments of up to 10% of the original contract amount.
3. Authorize the HSA Administrator to sign the 1999-2000 Memorandum of Understanding with the local HIV Services Consortium.
4. Authorize the HSA Administrator to sign the Title II State revenue agreement for 1999 - 2000 when received.

Sincerely,

  
 Charles M. Moody,  
 HSA Administrator

RECOMMENDED:

  
 Susan A. Mauriello  
 County Administrative Officer

cc: County Administrative Office  
 Auditor-Controller  
 County Counsel  
 HSA Administration  
 Santa Cruz County HIV Services Consortium

Santa Cruz AIDS Project  
 Food & Nutrition, Inc.