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# COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ <sup>700.63</sup>

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## HEALTH SERVICES AGENCY

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AGENDA: April 20, 1999

March 29, 1999

Board of Supervisors  
County of Santa Cruz  
701 Ocean Street  
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

RE: APPROVAL OF GRANT APPLICATION FOR LONG TERM CARE  
INTEGRATION PROJECT

Dear Board Members:

### Background:

In 1997 your Board approved the submission of a long-term care planning grant to the California Endowment. Although this grant application was not approved, a local steering committee has continued to track long-term care reform developments at the state level. This steering committee includes representatives of the Health Services Agency, Human Resource Agency, Santa Cruz County Health Options, and a variety of health providers and advocates for seniors and disabled citizens.

### Proposal:

Last legislative session, the Governor approved a bill funding long-term care planning and implementation grants for local communities. The planning grants are designed to evaluate options for integrating health, long term care, housing, and social support system for local communities. The State Department of Health Services has released a request for proposals for this funding. The grant applications are due April 14<sup>th</sup> and require a new letter of support from the Board of Supervisors.

The Health Services Agency, in collaboration with the various members of the steering committee and the **Mercer** Health consultants, have developed a planning grant request. With Board approval, a letter of support can be a late addition to the County grant

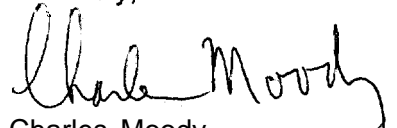
application. The grant will provide a \$50,000 cash grant with a requirement for \$10,000 of local match. The Health Services Agency, Human Resource Agency, SCCHO, and County Mental Health will provide the required matching funds from existing budgets and in-kind support services. Most of this will be in the form of clerical support and assistance with data analysis and community planning meetings. If approved, the grant will begin July 1, 1999 and be complete by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2000.

Recommendations:

It is, therefore, RECOMMENDED that your Board:

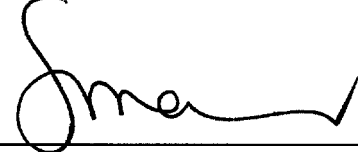
1. Approve the submission by the Health Services Agency of the long term care planning grant; and
2. Submit a letter of support for the grant to the State Department of Health Services, Office of Long Term Care.

Sincerely,

  
Charles Moody  
Health Services Administrator

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Attachments

RECOMMENDED

  
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Susan Mauriello  
County Administrative Officer

cc: County Administrative Officer  
Auditor Controller  
County Counsel  
HSA Administration  
Community Mental Health Administration  
HRA Administration  
Alan McKay, SCCHO



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Subject: Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisor Support For Submission of Long Term Care Pilot Project Planning Grant

Dear DHS Staff:

The Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors on, April 20, 1999, voted to support an application for a Long Term Care Planning Grant. We understand the importance of planning for this important health issue.

We are very enthusiastic about the opportunity to look at this important health issue. Santa Cruz has been a model county for many innovative initiatives in health and social services, and we look forward to bringing our enthusiasm and creativity to bear on the issues of long-term care integration. The Board of Supervisors understands and supports the match requirements as specified in the grant proposal.

Thank you for your consideration of the grant proposal. If you have questions please contact Dr. Rama Khalsa of Santa Cruz County Health Services at 831-454-4767.

Sincerely,

Jeff Almquist, Chair  
Board of Supervisors

Cc: Health Services Agency  
Human Resource Agency  
Senior Commission  
Long Term Care Commission