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HEALTH SERVICES AGENCY ADMINISTRATION

January 8, 2001

Agenda: January 23, 2001

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

County of Santa Cruz
70 1 Ocean Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Re: Approval of Application for State Emergency Medical Services Authority Grant

Dear Board Members:

We are requesting approval to submit a grant application to the State Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) in the amount of \$140,000. The purpose of the grant would be to evaluate the existing Santa Cruz County Trauma Plan. The grant would provide the ability to generate hospital outcome data in a confidential, coordinated trauma data system to allow the full implementation, evaluation, and improvement of the trauma plan.

EMSA has solicited grant applications for evaluation projects to meet local needs under a Block Grant program from the Centers for Disease Control Prevention 2000 funding. Funding for the grants begins July 01, 2001. Funds from the grant would be used to recruit a Trauma Nurse Consultant to manage the data project, develop the trauma data registry, test the coding and data extract procedures, conduct trauma analyses, and disseminate reports to partners. Information developed by the project would be used to improve trauma patient care, refine the trauma plan, and target preventative efforts.

There is no financial cost to the County as a result of this Grant.


It is, therefore, recommended that your Board:

1. Approve submittal to the State Emergency Medical Services Administration the \$140,000 grant application for evaluation of the Santa Cruz County Trauma Plan.

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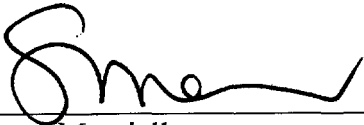
2. Direct the Clerk of the Board to File the Completed Grant Application as submitted to the State.

Sincerely,



Rama Khalsa, Ph.D.
HSA Administrator

RECOMMENDED:



Susan Mauriello
County Administrative Officer

Cc: County Administrative Office
County Counsel
Auditor-Controller
HSA Administration
EMS Manager

