

March 13, 2007

Marin County Board of Supervisors
3501 Civic Center Drive
San Rafael, CA 94903

SUBJECT: Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, requests approval of \$97,279 renewal agreement with Marin Children and Families Commission for the Children's Oral Health Project to continue services to children ages 0-5 and low-income families for the period January 1, 2007 through June 30, 2007. (Renewal)

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Authorize Board to execute contract renewal with Marin Children and Families Commission.

SUMMARY: This proposed renewal agreement provides \$97,279 in funds from the Marin Children and Families Commission for the County's Children's Oral Health Project to continue the Department's efforts to increase access to Oral Health Services for low-income families with children ages 0-5, to increase community awareness of Oral Health issues, to increase provider knowledge of Oral Health disease prevention and treatment for children, and to promote oral health and dental disease prevention habits in very young children.

Community Benefits: During the period July 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006, the Department's Children's Oral Health Project was able to screen, provide dental cleanings and x-rays as needed to over 235 children ages 0-5, in preschools, daycares and at health fairs throughout the county. The Children's Oral Health Project also provided information on free and low-cost insurance programs that cover dental services to over 1,100 families and distributed over 6,531 brochures in language and literacy-appropriate oral health education materials to parents at oral health talks and fairs as well as via mailings to community centers, pediatric offices, libraries, and kindergarten "Friday Folder" flyers. Reaching this many families is a direct result of the dental outreach made possible by the collaboration with Marin Children and Families Commission.

Fiscal Impact: There is no increase in net County Cost. Funds are budgeted in the Children's Oral Health Fund Center 1000118000.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Director

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