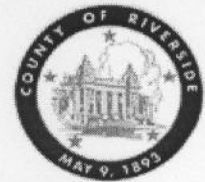


**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Department of Public Social Services

SUBMITTAL DATE:
March 29, 2005

SUBJECT: Amendment # 2 to Agreement #CP1718-00 with Norchem Drug Testing Laboratory for Random Drug Testing and Specimen Collection Services

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors approve and:

- 1) Authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign the attached Amendment # 2 to Agreement #CP1718-00 between Norchem Drug Testing Laboratory and the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) for random drug testing and specimen collection services for the term August 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005 in the amount of \$109,988, increasing the maximum reimbursable amount to \$350,000; and
- 2) Authorize the Director of DPSS to administer the Agreement.

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FORM APPROVED
COUNTY COUNSEL

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BY *[Signature]*

Susan Loew
Susan Loew, Interim Director

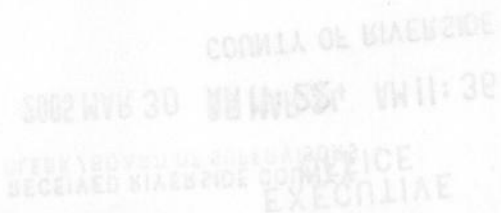
FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$350,000	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$18,900	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 18,900	For Fiscal Year:	FY 04/05

SOURCE OF FUNDS: 52.1% Federal; 33.2% State; Realignment, 9.3%; 5.4% County.	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: **APPROVE**

County Executive Office Signature *Dan Marting*

- Policy
- Consent
- Policy
- Consent
- Dept's Recomm.:
- Per Exec. Ofc.:



Prev. Agn. Ref.: 8/10/04, # 3.57 | **District:** All | **Agenda Number:**

**ATTACHMENTS FILED
WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD**

3.22

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BACKGROUND:

Random drug testing continues to be an important tool for DPSS to ensure that children are living in a safe environment. Since September 2004, DPSS has increased regional referral staffings, which include DPSS supervisors, a Public Health Nurse and a Department of Mental Health clinician, for review of child abuse referrals when multiple prior referrals are found in the same family. This process was adopted based on recommendations found in the Child Welfare League of America (CWLA) Recommendation Report, dated December 2003, which recommended that child abuse investigations be less incident-focused and more inclusive of any prior allegations.

Many times in the past, when clients refused to report for drug testing, cases might have been closed following safety and risk assessment, without potential substance abuse issues being addressed. CPS now conducts follow-up testing on many Emergency Response investigations, which are required to be closed within 30 days of referral. The CWLA Recommendation Report also suggested CPS institute clearer risk assessments, utilizing the County's Structured Decision Making software. These factors, along with rapidly increasing population, particularly in the Temecula/Murrieta and Hemet/San Jacinto areas, has resulted in greater utilization of drug testing services by CPS.

This Amendment # 2 would increase the maximum reimbursable amount for the FY 04/05 contract by \$109,988, from \$240,412 to \$350,000, due to higher than anticipated utilization.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: The County contribution is \$18,900.

CONCUR/EXECUTE: County Counsel

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