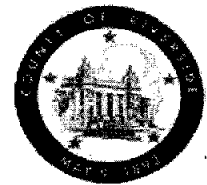


**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: Stanley L. Sniff Jr., Sheriff-Coroner-PA

SUBMITTAL DATE:
07/11/08

SUBJECT: Approval of an Agreement with Universal Health Services (UHS) of Rancho Springs, Inc. DBA Southwest Healthcare System for Sexual Assault Forensic Examinations

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Move that the Board of Supervisors approve and authorize the Chairman to execute the Agreement with UHS of Rancho Springs, Inc. (UHSRS) to compensate it for its provision of sexual assault forensic examinations during the period from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2010.

BACKGROUND: Penal Code Section 13823.9(b) requires that Counties with more than 100,000 residents arrange to have professional personnel, trained in examining sexual assault victims, conduct exams to collect forensic evidence. The County Regional Medical Center (RCRMC) provided these examinations until December 2003, when the loss of key personnel forced the Center to discontinue them.

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Will Taylor

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Stanley L. Sniff Jr., Sheriff-Coroner-PA

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL
BY: *[Signature]* M. GUNZEL 7-21-08
DATE: Departmental Concurrence
SYNTHIA M. GUNZEL

FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$32,000	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$32,000	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$32,000	For Fiscal Year:	FY 2008-09

SOURCE OF FUNDS: Departmental Budget	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

BY: *[Signature]*
Steve P. Schubert

County Executive Office Signature

Dept't Recomm.: Consent Policy
Per Exec. Ofc.: Consent Policy

Prev. Agn. Ref.: 09/4/07 3.29 | District: 3 | Agenda Number:

ATTACHMENTS FILED
WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

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In fact, RCRMC was unable to resume providing the exams until January 2005. During this period UHSRS provided a substantial number of the exams. On July 26, 2005, the Board approved execution of an Agreement with UHSRS, establishing the rate of \$900 per sexual assault examination conducted at the hospital to recoup all hospital costs. RCRMC agreed to also charge \$900 per exam to all law enforcement agencies.

To secure an adequate service level and a consistent exam rate in the western area of the County, the Sheriff's Department continued the Agreement with UHSRS for the hospital to provide these examinations for the period from January 1, 2006 through June 30, 2008.

Due primarily to increases in Nurses' salaries, UHSRS has informed the Sheriff's Department that its rate per exam must now be set at \$950 per exam. Since the exam rate increase is approximately 5.5%, and it is the Hospital's first increase in more than two years, the Sheriff's Department recommends that the Board approve execution of this two-year Agreement. County Counsel has approved the Agreement as to form.