

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

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**FROM:** Human Resources Department

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
August 18, 2008

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Medi-Cal Pharmacy Provider Application and Medi-Cal Provider Agreement for the Riverside County Rubidoux Pharmacy for the provision of pharmacy services to Medi-Cal prescription benefit members.

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors 1) approve the attached Medi-Cal Pharmacy Provider Application and Medi-Cal Provider Agreement with the Department of Health Care Services; 2) authorize the Chairperson to sign four (4) copies of the attached Agreement and; 3) retain one (1) copy of the signed Agreement, returning three (3) copies to Human Resources for distribution;

**BACKGROUND:** The Riverside County Rubidoux Pharmacy, operated by the Human Resources Department, funded by Exclusive Care, and located in the Don Schroeder Community Center, will become a participating pharmacy under Medi-Cal in order to provide prescription services to Medi-Cal recipients.

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Ronald W. Komers  
Asst. County Executive Officer/Human Resources Dir.

<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ n/a	In Current Year Budget:	No
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ n/a	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ n/a	For Fiscal Year:	2008/09

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

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

BY:   
Elizabeth J. Olson

County Executive Office Signature

- Policy
- Consent
- Policy
- Consent

Dep't Recomm.:  
Per Exec. Ofc.:

Prev. Agn. Ref.:

District: \_\_\_\_\_ Agenda Number:  
**ATTACHMENTS FILED  
WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD**

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FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL  
BY:   
LUCY FURUTA  
Department of Governance  
DATE: 8/25/08

**BACKGROUND continued**

Through the attached Medi-Cal Pharmacy Provider Application and the Medi-Cal Provider Agreement, the Rubidoux Pharmacy will fill prescriptions and bill Medi-Cal according to the Department of Health Care Services rates. The Medi-Cal reimbursement structure is attached.

The pharmacy, operated by a Ph.D. level pharmacist, has opened in order to service Exclusive Care members. As an additional service to the public, other health insurance members, and residents of the County who have no insurance may receive services from the Rubidoux Pharmacy.

The purpose of this agreement is to offer services to Medi-Cal recipients who are served by our local County of Riverside owned clinics. Medi-Cal members will be able to receive benefits, which include consultation from a Ph.D. level pharmacist, access to dose packaging that ensures better compliance to prescriptions, and free mail order and FedEx deliveries that will guarantee convenience and accessibility to important prescriptions. These benefits are the focus of the Rubidoux Pharmacy because the County of Riverside recognizes that there is a need to help members manage their medications and encourage them to take prescriptions according to their doctor's recommendations.

This service will provide a public benefit for Riverside County as these benefits provide additional services to public employees, their dependents, and low-income individuals, and other public employees who reside in Riverside County in addition to the general public.

The Department of Health Care Services Provider Application and the Medi-Cal Provider Agreement is attached. There is no impact to the County General Fund.