

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



**ITEM: 3.27  
(ID # 16777)**

**MEETING DATE:**  
Tuesday, July 27, 2021

**FROM :** RUHS-PUBLIC HEALTH:

**SUBJECT:** RIVERSIDE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SYSTEM – PUBLIC HEALTH: Ratify and Authorize the Purchasing Agent to Increase the Blanket Purchase Order 200068034 with Qiagen, Inc. for QuantiFERON TB Gold Plus Test Kits and Reagents, All Districts. [\$65,000-100% Department Revenue Funds]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Ratify and authorize the Purchasing Agent to increase the blanket purchase order 200068034 with Qiagen, Inc. for QuantiFERON TB Gold Plus test kits and reagents for an increase amount of \$65,000 for the performance period of May 3, 2016 through June 30, 2021.

**ACTION:Policy**

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7/20/2021

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Perez, seconded by Supervisor Spiegel and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez, and Hewitt  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Date: July 27, 2021  
xc: RUHS-PH

Kecia R. Harper  
Clerk of the Board

By:   
Deputy

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<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	<b>Current Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Next Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Total Cost:</b>	<b>Ongoing Cost</b>
<b>COST</b>	\$ 225,000	\$ 0	\$ 225,000	\$ 0
<b>NET COUNTY COST</b>	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b> 100% Department Revenue Funds			<b>Budget Adjustment:</b> No	
			<b>For Fiscal Year:</b> 20/21	

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary**

Qiagen, Inc. is the sole supplier in the United States (U.S.) of the QuantiFERON TB Gold Plus test and the Public Health Tuberculosis Control, Occupation Health and Riverside County providers require a highly specific and sensitive diagnostic test for tuberculosis patient management.

The QuantiFERON TB Gold Plus In tube test (QFT) is an in vitro diagnostic test with significant advantages over the tuberculin skin test (TST).

The Riverside University Health System- Public Health Laboratory (RUHS-PHL) is requesting an increase in the amount of the purchase order by \$65,000 from \$160,000 to \$225,000 through FY 20/21. The RUHS-PHL has experienced an increase in QFT requests from the County of Riverside Occupational Health as well as other RUHS-PHL clients. The RUHS-PHL has performed over 8,000 tests during FY 20/21. Due to the increase in testing, RUHS-PHL needs to increase the Blanket Purchase Order 200068034 to cover the costs of test kits and reagents purchased from Qiagen, Inc.

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

QFT is cost effective for TB infection control programs. The QFT requires only one patient visit in contrast to TST which can require up to 4 visits due to 2-step boosting. Personnel and investigative costs are reduced due to the reduction of false positive results. False positives can involve follow-up testing that includes chest x-rays and unnecessary TB therapy.

**SUPPLEMENTAL:**

**Additional Fiscal Information**

Additional funds are being requested to cover the outstanding balances. The total allocation to Qiagen, Inc. is \$225,000.

**Contract History and Price Reasonableness**

On May 3, 2016 (Agenda Item No. 3-19) the Board of Supervisors approved the purchase of QuantiFERON TB Gold Plus in- tube test kits and reagents from Qiagen, Inc., for the

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performance period of May 3, 2016 through June 30, 2021. In the Minute Order, RUHS-PH recommended, and the Board of Supervisors approved the amount of \$160,000 for the supplies.

The department previously received a SSJ with a period ending June 30, 2021.

  
Tina Grande, Director of Purchasing and Fleet Services 7/21/2021

  
Jacqueline Ruiz, Sr. Management Analyst 7/21/2021