June 14, 2016

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Cynthia A. Harding, M.P.H.
Interim Director

SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT A NOTICE OF AWARD FROM THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION FOR IMPROVING STD PROGRAMS THROUGH ASSESSMENT, ASSURANCE, POLICY DEVELOPMENT, AND PREVENTION STRATEGIES

This is to notify you that I am exercising the delegated authority approved by your Board on December 10, 2013, to accept future awards and/or amendments that are consistent with the requirements of Notice of Award (NA) Number 1H25PS004325-01, from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to provide STD Assessment, Assurance, Policy Development, and Prevention Strategies (AAPPS), that extend the term through December 31, 2018 at amounts determined by the CDC, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the Chief Executive Office.

On January 19, 2016, I notified your Board that I was exercising delegated authority to accept CDC NA Number 5H25PS004325-03, in the amount of $830,435, for calendar year (CY) 2016. $825,435 of this funding is for Part A-STD AAPPS, which represented 25 (25) percent of the total anticipated annual award for Part A, and $5,000 is for Part B-Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project. The NA required the Department of Public Health (DPH) to submit a revised budget and justification, as well as a response to the CDC’s Technical Review of DPH’s application, which were submitted by the February 15, 2016 due date.

Under the delegated authority referenced above, I will accept CDC NA Number 6 NH25PS004325-03-01, issued on April 8, 2016, which: 1) provides the balance of CY 2016 funding in the amount of $2,476,306, for a total CY 2016 award of $3,306,741; and 2) approves DPH’s revised itemized budget in the amount of $3,306,741, submitted to the CDC on February 12, 2016.
Acceptance of these funds for the STD AAPPS project will allow DPH to continue to provide oversight and coordination of STD services in Los Angeles County and strengthen STD prevention programs by: 1) increasing community screening and treatment per CDC guidance; 2) improving services for STD clients and their partners including linkage to care; 3) reducing re-infection; and 4) increasing community and provider knowledge of STD-related treatment, prevention, and epidemiology, as well as effective policies.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the NA as to use and this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors