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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
 County of Los Angeles
 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Dear Supervisors:

AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT AND IMPLEMENT FORTHCOMING AWARDS AND FUTURE AWARDS AND/OR AMENDMENTS FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FOR MATERNAL, CHILD AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH PROGRAMS FOR THE ANTICIPATED PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2019 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025 (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

Provide authorization to accept and implement forthcoming awards and future awards and/or amendments from the California Department of Public Health to support Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health Programs.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Delegate authority to the Director of the Department of Public Health (DPH), or designee, to accept forthcoming Letters of Allocation (LOA) from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) to support: a) various Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health (MCAH) programs at an estimated amount of \$4,204,997; and b) the Black Infant Health (BIH) Program at an estimated amount of \$1,355,226; offset by Title V – Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant (Title V), Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) #93.994, and by Title XIX – Medical Assistance Program (Title XIX), CFDA #93.778, for the anticipated period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the Chief Executive Office (CEO).
2. Delegate authority to the Director of DPH, or designee, to accept future LOAs and/or amendments from CDPH that are consistent with the requirements of the LOAs referenced above that extend the term through June 30, 2025, at amounts to be determined by CDPH; reflect non-material and/or ministerial revisions to the LOA's terms and conditions; allow for the rollover of unspent funds and/or

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redirection of funds; adjust the term of the LOA through December 31, 2025; and/or provide an increase or decrease in funding to each term's annual base amount, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the CEO.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of Recommendation 1 will allow DPH to accept forthcoming LOAs from CDPH to continue support of various MCAH programs that improve health care and improve access to quality care for women of childbearing age, pregnant and parenting women, and children and their families.

MCAH programs supported by CDPH utilize a variety of strategic approaches to comprehensively impact maternal, child, and adolescent well-being in Los Angeles County. These programs include the Comprehensive Perinatal Services Program (CPSP), Fetal Infant Mortality Reporting (FIMR), Safe Sleep Initiative, Los Angeles Mommy and Baby (LAMB), Los Angeles Health Overview of a Pregnancy Event (LAHOPE), and BIH. The services provided under these programs are as follows: 1) CPSP promotes and coordinates early, quality, and culturally competent perinatal services delivery to Medi-Cal eligible pregnant and postpartum women and their children; 2) FIMR provides support services, education, and referrals to parents and providers to address fetal and infant mortality and disparities; 3) Safe Sleep Initiative works to reduce deaths related to Sudden Infant Death Syndrome; 4) LAMB identifies disparities in poor birth outcomes through countywide surveys; 5) LAHOPE identifies causes of fetal, neonatal, and maternal mortality, with a goal of pinpointing possible gaps in services that may benefit from community or governmental action; and 6) BIH promotes better health services for African-American women by assuring that at-risk pregnant and parenting women, ages 18 years and older, and their children, up to age one, have access to appropriate pediatric and preventive health care.

These CDPH-funded programs are part of MCAH's overarching effort to deliver comprehensive preventive and health care services to women, infants, children, and families and are linked to other programs within MCAH, including home visiting, early care and education, developmental screening, and perinatal equity.

Additionally, MCAH continues to work closely with other Departments, including Health Services, Mental Health, Public and Social Services, and Children and Family Services to increase access to preventive health care and other resources that promote the health and well-being of families in Los Angeles County.

Approval of Recommendation 2 will allow DPH to accept future LOAs and/or amendments that are consistent with the requirements of the forthcoming LOAs that extend and/or adjust the term of the LOAs at amounts determined by CDPH; reflect non-material and/or ministerial revisions to the LOAs' terms and conditions; allow for the rollover of unspent funds and/or redirection of funds; and/or provide an increase or decrease in funding to each term's annual base amount. This recommended action will enable DPH to accept future LOAs and/or amendments that adjust the project period up to six (6) months beyond the original term, in those instances where there has been an unanticipated extension of the term to allow additional time to complete services and utilize funding. This authority is being requested to enhance DPH's efforts to expeditiously maximize grant revenue, consistent with Board Policy 4.070: Full Utilization of Grant Funds.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions support Strategy I.1, Increase Our Focus on Prevention Initiative, of the County's Strategic Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

DPH will accept forthcoming LOAs from CDPH for the anticipated period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, at an estimated total amount of \$5,560,223. Funds will support DPH personnel costs (salaries and employee benefits), operating costs, and contractual costs.

Funding is included in DPH's Recommended Budget for fiscal year (FY) 2019-20 and will be requested in future FYs, as necessary.

There is no net County cost associated with this action.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Since 1981, MCAH program activities have been supported by the federal Title V Block Grant and Title XIX (Medicaid) funds. The Title V Block Grant discretionary funds are appropriated in the State budget each applicable FY. The Title XIX entitlement funds are accessed via matching of local funds to reimburse certain Medi-Cal administrative activities performed during the budget period. CDPH approves LOA budgets in one-year increments as part of the Application Funding Agreement submitted annually by DPH's MCAH that accounts for the planned expenditure of the State appropriated Title V and forecasted Title XIX revenues.

On February 4, 2014, your Board authorized the Director of DPH to accept forthcoming LOAs from CDPH to support MCAH programs consisting of CPSP, FIMR, Safe Sleep Initiative, LAMB, LAHOPE, and BIH for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2019. Subsequently, DPH notified your Board on several occasions that it was exercising delegated authority to accept LOAs from CDPH for the continued support of these MCAH programs through June 30, 2018. Upon receipt of the LOAs from CDPH for the term July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, DPH will notify your Board.

On February 13, 2019, CDPH issued to DPH a Letter of Intent to Award funding for the continued support of the MCAH programs for the anticipated period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, at an estimated total amount of \$1,760,031 (\$813,732 for various MCAH programs and \$946,299 for BIH) comprised of Title V only. DPH anticipates receiving further notification from CDPH regarding Title XIX funding. Final funding amounts for Title V and Title XIX are subject to approval and appropriation in the annual Governor's budget or approval of federal grant funds.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommended actions will allow DPH to accept LOAs from CDPH to continue MCAH programs.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barbara Ferrer". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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