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October 3, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
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Dear Supervisors:

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Director and Chief Medical Officer

John R. Cochran III
Chief Deputy Director

William Loos, MD
Acting Senior Medical Officer

APPROVAL OF ASSIGNMENT AND DELEGATION AGREEMENT (AMENDMENT NO. 2) BETWEEN CARDINAL HEALTH AND MPS GROUP DBA SOLIANT HEALTH, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF TEMPORARY MEDICAL PERSONNEL SERVICES
(All Districts) (3 Votes)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Approve and instruct the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to sign an Assignment and Delegation Agreement (Amendment No. 2 to County Contract No. H-701833), substantially similar to Exhibit I, to allow Cardinal Health to assign and delegate its rights and responsibilities to MPS Group dba Soliant Health Inc., retroactive to March 27, 2006, at no net County cost.

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PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

In approving this action, the Board is authorizing the Director of Health Services to sign an Assignment and Delegation Agreement with Cardinal Health to change the ownership and name to MPS Group dba Soliant Health, Inc. (Soliant). This change in ownership from the current contractor to Soliant does not impact service delivery to the Department of Health Services (DHS or Department) facilities.

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FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

There is no fiscal impact as a result of this action.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

On December 21, 1998, the County contracted with private agencies for the provision of temporary medical personnel services to address critical staffing shortages, peak workloads, unexpected emergencies and vacation coverage at DHS facilities. On June 21, 2005, the Board approved a new standard agreement which was offered to providers (including Cardinal Health) through June 30, 2008.

On December 20, 2005, your Board approved and authorized the Director of Health Services to execute an Amendment to the Temporary Medical Personnel Services Agreement to add two new service categories, Pharmacy Manager and Phlebotomist, effective upon Board approval through June 30, 2008.

On March 27, 2006, Cardinal Health, Inc. sold their pharmacy staffing business to MPS Group dba Soliant Health, Inc. As one of the registries under the Temporary Medical Personnel Services Agreement, Cardinal provided pharmacy personnel services to the Department.

The Assignment and Delegation Agreement No. H-701833 (Amendment No. 2) includes revised language for "Prohibition Against Assignment and Delegation" and "Contractor Responsibility and Debarment". No other provisions of the Agreement are changed by this assignment. Soliant's financial viability has been assessed consistent with the Board's policy.

Temporary medical personnel services have continued to be utilized only for the most critical Department functions which County employees and County re-employment list personnel are unable to provide.

Exhibit I has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to form.

Attachment A provides additional information.

CONTRACTING PROCESS:

It is not appropriate to advertise assignment of agreement actions on the Los Angeles County Online Web Site as a business/contract opportunity.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS):

Approval of the recommended action will allow services to continue uninterrupted under the proper legal name designation.

When approved, this Department requires three signed copies of the Board's action.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce A. Chernof, M.D.
Director and Chief Medical Officer

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Attachment (2)

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

ATTACHMENT A

SUMMARY OF ASSIGNMENT OF AGREEMENT

1. TYPE OF SERVICE:

Temporary medical personnel services.

2. TERM:

The Amendment becomes effective retroactive to March 27, 2006 through June 30, 2008.

3. AGENCY ADDRESSES AND CONTACT PERSONS:

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4. FINANCE INFORMATION:

There is no fiscal impact as a result of this action.

5. ACCOUNTABILITY FOR MONITORING:

The administration and medical directors at DHS facilities where services are provided will continue to monitor the contractor's performance.

6. GEOGRAPHIC AREA TO BE SERVED:

Countywide.

7. APPROVALS:

Deputy:	Fred Leaf
Contracts and Grants Division:	Cara O'Neill, Chief
County Counsel (approval as to use and form):	Sharon Reichman, Principal Deputy County Counsel