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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

#### APPROVAL OF PARAMEDIC BASE HOSPITAL AMENDMENTS (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

## **SUBJECT**

Approval to amend the Paramedic Base Hospital Agreements with 21 hospitals to extend the term.

## IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Authorize the Director of Health Services (Director), or his designee, to execute amendments with 21 hospitals to extend the term of the agreements on a month-to-month basis, for up to six months, for the period July, 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 for the provision of Paramedic Base Hospital (Base Hospital) services.

## PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended action will allow the Director to execute Base Hospital Amendments, substantially similar to Exhibit I, to extend the term of each agreement on a month-to-month basis at the discretion of the Director, effective July 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012, for the continued provision of base hospital services. The current agreements expire June 30, 2012.

The Department of Health Services revised the current agreements to incorporate Board mandated language and began negotiations with the 21 base hospitals several months ago. Some issues raised during negotiations as a result of the newly added language have not been resolved. In order to allow time to fully resolve these issues, a six-month extension amendment is necessary. A replacement Base Hospital Agreement should be completed within six months.

The amendments are necessary in order for the Base Hospitals to continue to coordinate Advanced Life Support (ALS) services utilizing Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedics (paramedics) to deliver emergency medical care through on-line (radio or telephonic) medical control pending completion of a multi-year agreement with the Base Hospitals.

## Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended action supports Goal 3, Integrated Service Delivery, of the County's Strategic Plan.

## FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no net County cost. Each Base Hospital pays the County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency annual fee to offset the County costs for data collection, monitoring, and evaluation of ALS programs. The amount payable to the County for the period of July 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012 will be added to the successor agreement.

## FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to the authority granted under the Emergency Medical Services and Prehospital Emergency Medical Care Personnel Act, California Health and Safety Code Division 2.5 ("EMT Act"), the County oversees an ALS system that utilizes paramedics for the delivery of emergency medical care. As part of this system, Base Hospitals provide prospective, concurrent, and retrospective medical control.

The EMS Act authorizes the local EMS Agency to designate Base Hospitals to provide on line (radio or telephonic) medical control to paramedics treating patients in the prehospital setting. On June 19, 2007, your Board approved the Base Hospital Agreement with 20 base hospitals in Los Angeles County. On January 19, 2010, your Board approved the Base Hospital Agreement with Antelope Valley Hospital, which brought the total to 21 base hospitals (Attachment I).

County Counsel has approved Exhibit I as to form.

## **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

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Not applicable.

# **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Approval of the recommendation will ensure that the Base Hospitals will provide the level of program services currently offered in the County through December 31, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mitchell H. Katz, M.D. Director

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Enclosures

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

#### ATTACHMENT I

#### **BASE HOSPITAL LISTING**

	HOSPITAL	ADDRESS
1	Antelope Valley Hospital	1600 West Avenue J
	Agreement No. H-704260	Lancaster, CA 93534
2	Methodist Hospital of Southern California	300 West Huntington Drive
	Agreement No. H-702947	Arcadia, CA 91007
3	California Hospital Medical Center	1401 South Grand Avenue
	Agreement No. H-702939	Los Angeles, CA 90015
4	Cedars Sinai Medical Center	8700 Beverly Boulevard
	Agreement No. H-702938	Los Angeles, CA 90048-1865
5	Glendale Adventist Medical Center	1509 East Wilson Terrace
	Agreement No. H-702940	Glendale, CA 91206
6	Providence Holy Cross Medical Center	15031 Rinaldi Street
	Agreement No. H-702951	Mission Hills, CA 91345
7	LAC Harbor-UCLA Medical Center	1000 West Carson Street
	Agreement No. H-702948	Torrance, CA 90502-2004
8	Huntington Memorial Hospital	100 West California Boulevard
	Agreement No. H-702966	Pasadena, CA 91109
9	Henry Mayo Newhall Memorial Hospital	23845 West McBean Parkway
	Agreement No. H-702950	Valencia, CA 91355-2083
10	Long Beach Memorial Medical Center	2801 Atlantic Avenue
4.4	Agreement No. H-702994	Long Beach, CA 90806
11	Little Company of Mary Hospital	4101 Torrance Boulevard
40	Agreement No. H-702944	Torrance, CA 90503
12	Northridge Hospital Medical Center- Roscoe Campus	18300 Roscoe Boulevard
	Agreement No. H-702967	Northridge, CA 91325-4105
13	Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital	12401 East Washington Boulevard
15	Agreement No. H-702946	Whittier, CA 90602
14	Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center	1798 North Garey Avenue
	Agreement No. H-702942	Pomona, CA 91767
15	Citrus Valley Medical Center – Queen of the Valley	1115 Sunset Avenue
	Campus	West Covina, CA 91790
	Agreement No. H-702943	
16	St. Francis Medical Center	3630 East Imperial Highway
	Agreement No. H-702952	Lynwood, CA 90262-2678
17	Providence St. Joseph Medical Center	501 South Buena Vista Street
	Agreement No. H-702941	Burbank, CA 91505
18	St. Mary Medical Center	1050 Linden Avenue
	Agreement No. H-702968	Long Beach, CA 90813-3393
19	Torrance Memorial Medical Center	3330 West Lomita Boulevard
	Agreement No. H-702945	Torrance, CA 90505
20	UCLA Medical Center	10833 LeConte Avenue
	Agreement No. H-703107	Los Angeles, CA 90095
21	LAC + USC Medical Center	1200 North State Street
	Agreement No. H-702949	Los Angeles, CA 90033

EXHIBIT I

Agreement No. \_\_\_\_\_

# PARAMEDIC BASE HOSPITAL AGREEMENT

Amendment No. \_\_\_\_

This Amendment is made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ by and between the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (hereafter "County"), and \_\_\_\_\_\_ (hereafter "Contractor").

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2007, the County and Contractor, entered into Agreement No. H-\_\_\_\_\_\_ to provide Paramedic Base Hospital Services; and

WHEREAS, on January 19, 2010, your Board approved Amendment No. \_\_\_\_\_ to authorize a Paramedic Base Hospital Agreement with Antelope Valley Hospital of Agreement No. \_\_\_\_\_; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the parties to extend the current amendment for a period of six months, on a month-to-month basis; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. This Amendment shall become effective on July 1, 2012.
- This Agreement is hereby amended to delete paragraph 2. Term, subparagraph
  A. in its entirety and replace it as follows:

"A. The effective date of this Agreement shall become effective upon Board and EMS Agency approval of Hospital as a base Hospital, and shall continue in full force and effect to and including December 31, 2012. Unless sooner terminated, revoked, or canceled, this Agreement shall finally expire at midnight on December 31, 2012." 3. Except for the changes set forth hereinabove, Agreement shall not be changed in any respect by this Amendment.

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Paramedic Base Hospital Agreement (#H-\_\_\_\_) – Amendment (# \_) July 2012 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has caused this Amendment to be executed by the County's Director of Health Services and Contractor has caused this Amendment to be executed in its behalf by its duly authorized officer, the day, month, and year first above written.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By:\_\_\_\_

Mitchell H. Katz, M.D. Director of Health Services

CONTRACTOR

By:\_\_\_\_

Signature

Printed Name

Title

APPROVED AS TO FORM BY THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL