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DATE: April 16, 2013

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Sherlita Amler, M.D.
Commissioner of Health

RE: Authorization to enter into a contract amendment with Health Research, Inc. (“HRI”) for the Public Health Preparedness and Response to Bioterrorism Program Grant, to extend the term of the agreement and increase the contract not-to-exceed amount as follows:

	<u>Original Contract</u>	<u>Amended Contract</u>
Contract Period:	7/1/12 - 6/30/13	Contract Period: 7/1/12 – 6/30/17
Amount Not-To-Exceed:	\$542,733	Amount Not-To-Exceed: \$2,513,665

On July 12, 2012, Your Honorable Board approved a Resolution (the “July 12, 2012 Resolution”) which authorized the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Department of Health (“WCDH”), to enter into contract with Health Research, Inc. (“HRI”) to accept continued funding for the Public Health Preparedness and Response to Bioterrorism Program Grant, for the contract period 7/1/12 through 6/30/13, pursuant to an approved budget, in the amount not-to-exceed \$542,733. This contract has been executed.

WCDH has since received notification from HRI that a contract amendment will be issued to extend the contract period to 6/30/17 and increase the total funding not-to-exceed amount to \$2,513,665, pursuant to an approved budget. This is being done to reduce the administrative burden associated with annual contract renewals on the state level.

All other terms and conditions of the original contract shall remain the same.

This Program will promote the public health, safety and general welfare of County residents by improving the response capacity to a large scale biological/bioterrorism event and supporting the infrastructure that would enable the County to respond to such threats whether naturally occurring or manmade.

The goals of this Program are to ensure the ability of the WCDH to respond in the event of a large scale public health emergency through the timely use of interventions known to prevent human illness from chemical, biological and radiological agents and naturally occurring health threats. Program objectives include, but are not limited to, enhancement of disease surveillance and early event detection systems, maintenance of relevant laboratory support, development or enhancement

of response plans and protocols, and decreasing the time to identify causes, risk factors and appropriate interventions to those affected by threats and to restore health services and environmental safety.

Program tracking and monitoring are maintained through regular staff meetings, periodic review of emergency plans, updates through the NYSDOH Commerce system, review of epidemiological data, and attendance and participation in local and state sponsored drills, meetings and trainings. Status reports are sent to the NYSDOH on a quarterly basis.

Your approval of the attached resolution is respectfully requested.

Attachment
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APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 05/09/2013 - JOHANNES, SECRETARY

RESOLUTION

UPON A COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Department of Health, is authorized to enter into a contract amendment with Health Research, Inc. ("HRI") for the Public Health Preparedness and Response to Bioterrorism Program Grant in order to extend the contract period and increase the not-to-exceed amount, pursuant to an approved budget, as follows:

Original Contract

Contract Period: 7/1/12 - 6/30/13
 Amount Not-To-Exceed: \$542,733

Amended Contract

Contract Period: 7/1/12 – 6/30/17
 Amount Not-To-Exceed: \$2,513,665;

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that all other terms and conditions of the original contract shall remain the same; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute all appropriate contracts or documents necessary to effectuate the purposes of this resolution in the manner prescribed by law.

Original Agreement	\$ 542,733
This Amendment	\$ 1,970,932
TOTAL	\$ 2,513,665
Agreement #	

Account to be Charged/Credited	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars
	263	27	550N	9853	T550	\$492,733
	263	27	550O	9853	T550	\$492,733
	263	27	550P	9853	T550	\$492,733
	263	27	550Q	9853	T550	\$492,733

Budget Funding Year(s) (must match resolution) 2012-2017 Start Date 7/01/12 End Date 6/30/17

Funding Source	Tax Dollars	
	State Aid	
\$1,970,932	Federal Aid	<u>100% Federal Pass Thru funds</u>
(must match resolution)	Other	