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DATE: December 5, 2018
TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract
FROM: Sherlita Amler, M.D.
Commissioner of Health
RE: Authorization to Enter into an Agreement with the New York State Department of Health to accept funding for the Rabies Program (Human Rabies Treatment, Specimen Collection, Pet Vaccination and Education/Prevention) as follows:

Contract Period: 4/1/19 – 3/31/22
Contract Amount: Not-To-Exceed \$353,535

The Westchester County Department of Health seeks authorization to enter into an agreement with the New York State Department of Health (“NYSDOH”) to accept funding for the Rabies Program (Human Rabies Treatment, Specimen Collection, Pet Vaccination and Education/Prevention) for the contract period 4/1/19 – 3/31/22, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$353,535, based on reimbursement rates established by the NYSDOH.

The Rabies Program will promote the public health and general welfare of the County by investigating incidents regarding people or pets potentially exposed to suspect rabid animals. The goals and objectives of the program are to ensure that there are no cases of human rabies in the County by testing suspect animals for the presence of rabies, by making available no-cost pet clinics so that pets may be given current vaccinations against rabies, and where indicated, by providing preventive treatment (vaccinations) to County residents who were or may have been exposed to a suspect rabid animal. All potential rabies incidents are investigated to determine if there is a need for treatment to prevent the onset of rabies upon exposure to a suspect animal.

The program is tracked and monitored through monthly reports and supervisory review of each case investigation. On an annual basis, approximately 500 to 700 animals are rabies tested, approximately 400 animals are rabies vaccinated, 1300 to 1500 bite reports are received, and 250 to 350 Westchester County residents receive a preventive course of treatment.

The agreement requires the County to indemnify the New York State Department of Health as follows:

The Contractor shall be solely responsible and answerable in damages for any and all accidents and/or injuries to persons (including death) or property arising out of or related to the services to be rendered by the Contractor or its subcontractors pursuant to this Master Contract. The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the State and its officers and employees from claims, suits, actions, damages and cost of every nature arising out of the provision of services pursuant to the Master Contract.

I certify that my department, a.) has copies of, or access to, all applicable laws, rules, regulations, grant applications, and grant agreements (including any master grant agreement), as well as any guidance or instructions received from the agency making the grant (the “Grant Terms”), b.) has reviewed the Grant Terms, c.) is aware of and understands all of the Grant Terms, and d.) can and will comply with all of the Grant Terms

Your approval of the attached resolution is respectfully requested.

/md
Attachment

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 ("WCDH"), is authorized to enter into an agreement with the New York State Department of Health (the "NYSDOH") to accept funding for the Rabies Program (Human Rabies Treatment, Specimen Collection, Pet Vaccination and Education/Prevention) based on reimbursement rates established by the NYSDOH as follows:

Contract Period: 4/1/19 – 3/31/22
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and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Contractor shall be solely responsible and answerable in damages for any and all accidents and/or injuries to persons (including death) or property arising out of or related to the services to be rendered by the Contractor or its subcontractors pursuant to this Master Contract. The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the State and its officers and employees from claims, suits, actions, damages and cost of every nature arising out of the provision of services pursuant to the Master Contract; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this Agreement is subject to County Appropriations; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this Agreement is also subject to further financial analysis of the impact of any New York State Budget (the "State Budget") proposed and adopted during the term of this Agreement. The County shall retain the right, upon the occurrence of any release by the Governor of a proposed State Budget and/or the adoption of a State Budget or any amendments thereto, and for a reasonable period of time after such release(s) or adoption(s), to conduct an analysis of the impacts of any such State Budget on County finances. After such analysis, the County shall retain the right to either terminate this Agreement or to renegotiate the amounts and rates approved herein. If the County subsequently offers to pay a reduced amount to the Contractor, then the Contractor shall have the right to terminate this Agreement upon reasonable prior written notice; 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.

Department of Health
County of Westchester
10 County Center Road, 2nd Floor
White Plains, New York 10607
December 5, 2018

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| Original Agreement | \$ |
| First Amendment | \$ |
| Second Amendment | \$ |
| This Amendment | \$ |
| TOTAL | \$ _____ |
| Agreement # | |

Account to be Charged/Credited

| Fund | Dept | Major Program, Program & Phase or Unit | Object/ Sub-Object | Budget Year | Dollars |
|------|------|--|--------------------|-------------|-----------|
| 101 | 27 | 0010 | 9734 | 2019 | \$88,384 |
| 101 | 27 | 0010 | 9734 | 2020 | \$117,845 |
| 101 | 27 | 0010 | 9734 | 2021 | \$117,845 |
| 101 | 27 | 0010 | 9734 | 2022 | \$29,461 |

Budget Funding Year(s)

(must match resolution) 2019-2022 Start Date 4/1/19 End Date 3/31/22

Funding Source

Tax Dollars

State Aid

100%

\$353,535

Federal Aid

(must match resolution)

Other

APPROVED BOARD OF ACQUISITION & CONTRACT - 01/10/2019 - LISA MRJAJ, SECRETARY