

September 21, 2010

Marin County Board of Supervisors  
3501 Civic Center Drive  
San Rafael, CA 94903

**SUBJECT: Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health requests execution of Amendment to State Public Health Preparedness Agreement #EPO PHER-21 extending the term through July 30, 2011. (Amendment)**

Dear Supervisors:

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. Authorize the President to execute Amendment to State Public Health Preparedness Agreement #EPO PHER-21.

**SUMMARY:** Marin County receives federal funds, administered by the State, for the expansion of its capacity to respond to bioterrorist and other public health emergencies. In FY 2009-10, the Department received CDC Public Health Emergency Response (PHER) funds, Phases I, II, and III, which provided one-time funds related to H1N1. The deadline for spending these funds was July 30, 2010. Recently the CDC provided a 30 day no-cost extension for all Public Health Emergency Response (PHER) grants, extending the term for PHER grants to August 30, 2010 which your Board approved on August 24, 2010. The CDC is once again providing a no cost extension for the PHER grants, an 11 month extension extending the term for PHER grants to July 30, 2011. Through this proposed action, the Department is informing the State that it wishes to take advantage of this second extension as well.

**COMMUNITY BENEFITS:** These funds enhance the County's ability to respond to a public health emergency by improving the medical and public health system's capacity to detect, respond to, recover from, and mitigate the consequences of such an emergency.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** There is no increase in net County cost associated with this request. Funds are budgeted in the Public Health Preparedness Funds Center 100009100.

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Sincerely,

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Director

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