

FM-5 (12 Contract Amendments)

Council District(s) All

Department of Health and Human Services

Prevention, Early Detection, Diagnosis and Treatment – Cancer Services

The Administration is requesting approval of amendments to 12 contracts to continue to provide cancer prevention, early detection, and diagnosis and treatment services for low-income County residents. Each proposed amendment commences retroactively on April 1, 2023 and extends its contract’s term by one year, in order to allow the County sufficient time to execute new contracts. Compensation for all 12 contractors is limited to the amount appropriated for these services. The Department advised that the proposed amendments increase the contracts’ total estimated combined compensation by \$387,150, from \$3,200,419 to \$3,587,569, for the entire amended terms of the contracts. The original contracts commenced on various dates in 2011 and 2012. All 12 contracts expired April 1, 2023. See Exhibit A.

Fiscal Summary

Funding Source	Combined Contract Amendments	Combined Current Total Compensation	Combined Amended Total Compensation
County	--	--	--
State ⁽¹⁾	\$ 215,374	*	*
Federal ⁽²⁾	171,776	*	*
Other	--	--	--
Total	<u>\$ 387,150</u> ⁽³⁾	<u>\$ 3,200,419</u> ⁽⁴⁾	<u>\$ 3,587,569</u> ⁽⁵⁾

⁽¹⁾ Maryland Department of Health (MDH) funds.

⁽²⁾ U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) funds passed through the MDH.

⁽³⁾ Estimated additional compensation for all contractors combined for the entire amended terms.

⁽⁴⁾ Estimated compensation for all contractors combined for the current terms.

⁽⁵⁾ Estimated compensation for all contractors combined for the entire amended terms.

Compensation is limited to the amount appropriated for these services.

* Information not available.

Analysis

The following 12 contractors provide various cancer prevention, early detection, and diagnosis and treatment services for low-income County residents:

Contractor	Contract Commencement	Council Approval
Steven M. Adashek, M.D., P.A.	April 1, 2011	October 17, 2011
Adventist Healthcare, Inc. DBA Capital Choice Pathology	April 1, 2011	September 6, 2011
Baltimore Ambulatory Center for Endoscopy, LLC	April 16, 2012	April 16, 2012
Baltimore Medical System, Inc.	August 1, 2011	August 1, 2011
Dianon Systems, Inc.	April 1, 2011	October 17, 2011
Digestive Disease Associates, LLC	January 17, 2012	January 17, 2012
Endoscopy Center of North Baltimore, LLC	January 17, 2012	January 17, 2012
Goldberg, Rosenstein, Khan, and Forman, M.D., P.A.	April 16, 2012	April 16, 2012
Teresa Hoffman & Associates, LLC	August 1, 2011	August 1, 2011
Jahingir M. Khan, M.D.	April 16, 2012	April 16, 2012
North American Partners in Anesthesia	January 17, 2012	January 17, 2012
Saba Siddiqi, M.D., P.A.	April 1, 2011	November 7, 2011

Each of the 12 contracts expired April 1, 2023. Each proposed amendment commences retroactively on April 1, 2023 and extends the term of its contract by one year, through April 1, 2024, in order to allow the County sufficient time to execute new contracts. All other terms and conditions remain the same. Compensation for all 12 contractors combined is limited to the amount appropriated for these services. The Department advised that the proposed amendments increase the contracts' total estimated combined compensation by \$387,150, from \$3,200,419 to \$3,587,569, for the entire amended terms of the contracts. The County may terminate each agreement by providing 30 days prior written notice, except for the Dianon and North American contracts, which either party may terminate by providing 30 days prior written notice.

The County reimburses the contractors for services performed at the current approved rate, which is based on State Medicare, Medicaid, and Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission reimbursement rates for screening, diagnosis and treatment, and for hospitals, respectively. The County contracts with any provider that serves Baltimore County residents and meets County and State requirements in order to allow eligible patients choices regarding medical providers. Under

no circumstances will eligible patients be charged for services provided under these contracts. The Department annually places an ad in *The Jeffersonian* to recruit providers.

County Charter, Section 715, requires that “any contract must be approved by the County Council before it is executed if the contract is...for services for a term in excess of two years or involving the expenditure of more than \$25,000 per year....” As previously mentioned, the proposed contract amendments commenced April 1, 2023. This situation may constitute a violation of the aforementioned section of the County Charter since the contract amendments commenced prior to Council approval.

Executive Summary

Baltimore County Department of Health Cancer Contract Amendment

The Baltimore County Department of Health Services seeks County Council approval of 12 amendments for existing contracts to provide prevention, early detection and diagnosis/treatment of cancer for low-income residents.

BACKGROUND

The Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the State of Maryland Department of Health have awarded funds to the Baltimore County Department of Health for the purpose of prevention, early detection and diagnosis/treatment of cancer for low-income Maryland residents.

The Baltimore County Department of Health, Cancer Program contracts with local providers to provide clinical services in accordance with the CDC and the State of Maryland mandated standardized requirements. The original 12 Provider Contracts below were established to allow consumers the option to choose from a list of providers located throughout Baltimore County.

1. Steven M Adashek, M.D., P.A.
2. Adventist Healthcare, Inc. DBA Capital Choice Pathology Lab
3. Baltimore Ambulatory Center for Endoscopy, LLC
4. Baltimore Medical System, Inc.
5. Dianon Systems, Inc. (Lab)
6. Digestive Disease Associates, LLC
7. Endoscopy Center of North Baltimore, LLC
8. Goldberg, Rosenstein, Khan, & Forman, M.D., P.A.
9. Teresa Hoffman & Associates, LLC
10. Jahangir M. Khan, M.D.
11. North American Partners in Anesthesia
12. Saba Siddiqi, M.D., P.A.

FISCAL

All 12 Provider Amendments listed have been reviewed and approved by the Baltimore County Office of Law. If County Council approves these Amendments, the contracts will be extended before the expiration of the current contracts, to allow for sufficient time to execute a renewal contract.

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