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McKesson Pharmaceutical Contract Amendments

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## **Overview**



#### Two proposed contract amendments over 4.5 years:

- 1. McKesson Plasma and Biologics for \$1.466B
- 2. McKesson Pharma for \$977M

#### Goals of proposed contract amendments:

- 1. Improving quality & experience of care
- 2. Improving the health of populations and patients
- 3. Reducing expenses related to medications

Contract	2019-23 Budget Authority	2023-27 Proposed Budget Authority	Holdover + Contingency/Initiative	TOTALS
Plasma/Biologics	\$149M	\$742M	\$409+ \$166M	\$1.466B
Pharma	\$235M	\$445M	\$145M + \$152M	\$997M

## **How This Serves San Franciscans**



#### This is how DPH obtains medications for ALL those we serve in SFDPH, includes San Francisco Health Network patients as well as community-based events:

- COVID and MPX response in community
- Prevent and treat HIV and HepC across the city
- Zuckerberg San Francisco General cancer, surgery, critically ill
- Laguna Honda Hospital
- Behavioral Health System Substance Use Disorder, Mental Health
- Primary & Specialty Care
- Jail Health System



## **SF Health Network Patients**



# **Medications at SFDPH**



#### In the past 12 months:

- 269,000 anti-retroviral pills were purchased to treat/prevent HIV
- Approximately 680 patients from Ward 86 had medication filled monthly
- Last year, over 2,000 pills purchased to help cure Hepatitis C
- Prepared over 62,500 IV medications at ZSFG
- Dispensing over 10,000 doses per day for LHH residents
- 1,393 prescriptions dispensed for COVID and MPX treatment from ZSFG Outpatient pharmacy

#### Across all sites, DPH purchased ~20 million pills, packets, tubes, or vials

## **McKesson's Role**



- McKesson is a wholesale distributor
- Single, efficient place to procure >95% of all medications for DPH
- They do not determine or negotiate medication prices
- Allows us to be reliable, nimble, and responsive when we need to be
  - Drug shortages, emergency responses of all types
- One of the largest distributors in U.S (over 5,000 hospitals), delivering 1/3 of all medications in North America

# Why is a Distributor Needed?



- Distributors are the **industry standard**, ubiquitous and essential part of healthcare systems
- Distributors streamline the procurement process
  - Efficiency saves staff time at every steps in supply chain
  - Provide greater access and more flexibility
- Supports the City to maintain industry standards for medication procurement in healthcare





- BOS previously approved these contracts with McKesson in FY 19/20. This request is for extension for additional 4.5 years.
- While the proposed overall contract authority is large, the actual spending is approved by the BOS during annual budget process
- Proposed contract amendments ensure sufficient budget authority to respond to unforeseen circumstances, rapid increase in prices
  - COVID pandemic, MPX
  - New, novel treatments that may cost >\$3 M/dose
  - High-cost Specialty medications
- What has changed in these amendments: Better terms for City
- SFDPH receives reimbursements from insurance for medications

# **Cost-Effective Methods for Purchasing Medications**



#### Methods

- Using discounts via DPH's Group Purchasing Organization
- For those without insurance, using drug manufacturers' Patient Assistance
  Program to pay for high-cost medications insurance
- Governor Newsom's State Pharmaceutical Purchasing program
- 340b Federal Drug Discount Program

In addition, McKesson provides mark down on drug cost

- McKesson uses their bulk purchasing and agreements to pass on discounts to DPH
  - > We pay less using a distributor

What we pay McKesson = cost of medications = cost of contract

# **Being Good Fiscal Stewards**



#### **Recouping Costs with Revenue:**



- Increasing costs of medications is a national challenge
- DPH receives reimbursement from insurance (Medicare, Medi-Cal) for medications
- Revenue helps DPH minimize use of General Fund

Acute care: not possible to parse out medication from non-medication reimbursement

# **Performance Monitoring**



#### Methods to monitor:

- DPH reviews pricing and information for all medications
- Quarterly compliance meetings
- On-demand reporting via web interface

#### McKesson has been a strong partner:

- Vital for navigating national medication-shortages, minimizing effect on our patients
- Support us to find lower costs e.g., Governor Newsom State Pharmaceutical Program

### **Proposed Contract Amendments**



- DPH agrees with BLA recommendations
- DPH requests approval of proposed resolutions

# Thank you! Any questions?