## **Department of Public Health**

## City and County of San Francisco



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Mayor

Grant Colfax, MD Director of Health

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Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board Board of Supervisors 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Dear Ms. Calvillo:

Attached please find a proposed resolution for Board of Supervisors approval under San Francisco Charter Section 9.118 for a no-cost Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Department of Public Health (DPH) and The Regents of the University of California, on behalf of its San Francisco campus, acting by and through its Office of Research, A California Constitutional Corporation ("UCSF").

<u>Term longer than 10 years</u>. The term of this MOU begins January 1, 2019, and runs concurrently with the existing Master Affiliation Agreement between the City of San Francisco and UCSF established August 1, 1994. This MOU is not intended to supersede or modify the Affiliation Agreement by and between UCSF and the City.

<u>Under this MOU, UCSF will be allowed to Bill for Professional Services of Medical Staff.</u> Additionally, this MOU will add functionality and protection to the City's relationship with UCSF prior to DPH's new Epic Electronic Health Record (EHR) going live in August 2019.

The City's Affiliation Agreement with UCSF provides medical staff at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital (ZSGG), however, it did not contemplate advances in technology which require regulations to protect patient information and the need to use technology to bill professional fees, which is this MOU addresses.

This MOU will enable the creation of a professional fee service area ("ProFee Service Area") for UCSF within the City's instance of the Epic EHR system. This will enable UCSF to bill for the professional services of its medical staff for services they perform in treating DPH patients. Benefits of ths MOU for both the City and UCSF, include:

- An integrated digital record of a patient's health history that includes clinical and financial data across the continuum of care, which will promote patient engagement and wellness, and improve overall patient experience;
- Completion of structured EHR data, such as encoded procedures, diagnostic interpretation, and diagnosis information;
- Clinical value for better care coordination, clinical decision support, data quality and integrity.
- Sharing data to help identify clinical quality measures and enable better sharing of best practices, to improve both organizations;
- Increased data transparency and revenue opportunities;
- Maximization of revenue for the entire DPH-UCSF enterprise;
- Streamlining of operational resources such as authorization requests across service areas;
- Reducing duplicative and additional work for tasks such as running reports, data uploads, and accessing data.

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The following is a list of accompanying documents:

- Proposed Resolution; •
- Agreement (Memorandum Of Understanding);
- Ordinance #210-94, approving the Affiliation Agreement between the City and UCSF
- Form SFEC-126.

We appreciate your consideration of this request. For questions on this matter, please contact me at (415) 255-3508, Jacquie.Hale@SFDPH.org.

Sincerely,

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