

**DATE:** September 24, 2007

**TO:** Children and Families Commission of Orange County

**FROM:** Michael M. Ruane, Executive Director 

**SUBJECT:** **Maternal Outreach Management Systems (MOMS) - Expansion of Prenatal and Newborn Services**

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**SUMMARY:**

The Children and Families Commission of Orange County's partnership with MOMS (Maternal Outreach Management Systems) began in 2000 as one of the first organizations to receive a Commission grant. Through this partnership MOMS has been able to expand the number of pregnant women and newborns they serve as well as assist in the coordination of other key Commission funded services to this population. Currently, MOMS receives just over \$800,000 annually in Commission grant awards. This funding represents their participation in the National Children's Study (\$65,000 annually), Bridges for Newborns (\$105,576 annually), and their prenatal program - Paso A Paso that is funded through the Commission's biannual competitive funding cycles (\$643,000 annual average.) With Commission funding received, MOMS serves over 1500 pregnant and parenting mothers and has been a driving force in recruitment for the initial pilot of the National Children's Study.

MOMS has also been an active user of fiscal leveraging programs and has maximized the Commission's financial investments in their programs to increase the return on these leveraging opportunities. MOMS has used this leveraged funding to reduce administrative costs charged to the Commission on these contracts, and expand the number of mothers and babies they serve.

**Proposal:**

Recently, MOMS approached the Commission to discuss current constraints of their leased facility. In past years, MOMS has been able to negotiate lease terms considerably below market rates and deal internally with space limitations and certain health and safety issues at their current location. Unfortunately, several recent incidents have made their current situation unworkable, including an increase in their rent and a lack of adequate space to increase program capacity as initially planned for FY 2007/08.

In looking at facility options, MOMS is investigating opportunities to expand their programs to serve more families and to provide space for other community based organizations. MOMS will need to raise more funding in order to accommodate the increased lease cost or mortgage payments. Staff recommends terminating MOMS current Paso A Paso Agreement F04-HV-06 on or about October 31, 2007 and entering into a new Agreement for the period beginning on or about November 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008 in an amount not to exceed \$1,050,000.

This amount includes \$250,000 of additional funding and \$800,000 of base funding for services consistent with the scope of work for the Paso A Paso program and increased facility program costs. The \$250,000 in additional funding will be contingent on MOMS obtaining expanded administrative and service space for enhanced services and the prior approval of the space by the Commission's Executive Director.

In an expanded facility, MOMS will serve as a hub for key Commission sponsored initiatives such as the Bridges for Newborns program related activities and expanded in home breastfeeding support models including lactation Promotoras that will make home visits immediately following birth. These services will be provided as part of the expanded agreement at no additional cost to the Commission.

**STRATEGIC PLAN AND BUDGET:**

The proposed actions are consistent with the Healthy Children goal in the Strategic Plan. There is an existing budget allocation for the MOMS Paso A Paso program included in the FY 07/08 budget under Healthy Children. The \$250,000 additional funding will be allocated from the balance available in the adopted FY 07/08 Bridges for Newborns Program.

**PRIOR COMMISSION ACTIONS:**

MOMS' Paso A Paso program has received Commission funding since November of 2000.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Adopt resolution authorizing the Executive Director to agree to terminate agreement# F04-HV-06 and enter into agreement# F04-HV-07 with MOMS for the period beginning on or about November 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008 in an amount not to exceed \$1,050,000, of which the one-time payment of \$250,000 will be contingent upon approval by the Executive Director of an enhanced service plan utilizing expanded facility space.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Resolution authorizing agreement with Maternal Outreach Management Systems.

**Contact:** Kim Goll

**CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMISSION OF ORANGE COUNTY**

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_-07-C&FC**

**October 3, 2007**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMISSION OF ORANGE COUNTY DIRECTING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND COMMISSION COUNSEL TO PREPARE AND NEGOTIATE FINAL FORM OF AGREEMENT F04-HV-07 WITH MATERNAL OUTREACH MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS, INC., A CALIFORNIA NONPROFIT COPORATION AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH**

**WHEREAS**, in order to facilitate the creation and implementation of an integrated, comprehensive, and collaborative system of information and services to enhance optimal early childhood development, the legislature adopted legislation set forth in the California Children and Families Act of 1998, Health and Safety Code Section 130100, *et seq.* (as amended, the "Act") implementing the Children and Families First Initiative passed by the California electorate in November, 1998 and establishing the California Children and Families Commission and County Children and Families Commissions, including this Children and Families Commission of Orange County ("Commission"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission adopted a Strategic Plan to define how funds authorized under the Act and allocated to the Commission should best be used to meet the critical needs of Orange County's children prenatal to five years of age as codified in the Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the Executive Director and Commission Counsel have prepared a form Master Agreement for Professional/Consulting Services ("Master Agreement"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission and Maternal Outreach Management Systems, Inc. are parties to that certain Paso A Paso Agreement F04-HV-06; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission and Maternal Outreach Management Systems, Inc. desire to terminate Agreement F04-HV-06 and enter into Agreement F04-HV-07 for a thirteen month period beginning on or about November 1, 2007 in an amount not to exceed \$1,050,000 to provide home-based comprehensive maternal and infant health case management services, which services promote the purposes of the Act and the Strategic Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, capitalized terms used in this resolution are as set forth in the Grant Agreement, unless separately defined herein; and

**WHEREAS**, Commission has reviewed the October 3, 2007 staff report relating to the Scope of Services to be provided and hereby finds and determines that the proposed Agreement is in furtherance of and consistent with the Commission's Strategic Plan; and;

**WHEREAS**, all actions required by applicable law with respect to the proposed Agreement have been taken in an appropriate and timely manner.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMISSION OF ORANGE COUNTY AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1** Commission finds and determines the foregoing Recitals are true and correct and are a substantive part of this Resolution.

**Section 2** Commission authorizes the Executive Director to terminate Agreement No. F04-HV-06 with Maternal Outreach Management Systems, Inc.

**Section 3** Commission authorizes the Executive Director to prepare and negotiate the final form of Agreement No. F04-HV-07 with Maternal Outreach Management Systems, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$1,050,000 for a thirteen month period beginning on or about November 1, 2007 to provide home-based comprehensive maternal and infant health case management services in support of the Act and the Strategic Plan, of which \$250,000 is to be contingent on the Executive Director's prior approval of facility space.

**Section 4** The form of the Agreement with Maternal Outreach Management Systems, Inc., shall be substantially similar to the form of the approved Master Agreement, subject to minor, non-substantive revisions as reviewed and approved by the Executive Director. The approval by the Executive Director, or designee, and Commission Counsel of the final form of the Agreement shall be conclusively evidenced by the delivery thereof to the Commission Clerk.

**Section 5** Commission hereby approves Agreement No. F04-HV-07 with Maternal Outreach Management Systems, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$1,050,000 for a thirteen month period beginning on or about November 1, 2007 to provide services as specified in the October 3, 2007 staff report to this Agenda Item..

**Section 6** The Chair and the Clerk of the Commission are hereby authorized to execute and attest, respectively, the Agreement on behalf of the Commission.

**Section 7** A copy of the final form of Agreement F04-HV-07 with Maternal Outreach Management Systems, Inc., when executed by the Chair and attested by the Clerk of the Commission shall be appended hereto as a part of Exhibit A to this Resolution. Exhibit A is hereby fully incorporated as a part of this Resolution by this reference and made a part hereof. The final executed Agreement shall be placed on file in the office of the Clerk of the Commission.

**Section 8** In addition to the authorization of Sections 2 and 3 above, the Executive Director (or his designee) is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Commission, (i) to sign all documents necessary and appropriate to carry out and implement the Agreement, (ii) to cause the issuance of warrants, (iii) to administer the Commission's obligations, responsibilities, and duties to be performed under such agreement, and (iv) during the term thereof to provide waivers, administrative interpretations, and minor modifications of the provisions of such agreement in the furtherance thereof.

**Section 9** The Clerk of the Commission shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution.

The foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the following vote of the Children and Families Commission of Orange County on October 3, 2007 to wit:

AYES Commissioners: \_\_\_\_\_  
NOES: Commissioner(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
EXCUSED: Commissioner(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
ABSTAINED: Commissioner(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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CHAIR

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)  
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COUNTY OF ORANGE )

I, DARLENE J. BLOOM, Clerk of the Commission of Orange County, California, hereby certify that a copy of this document has been delivered to the Chair of the Commission and that the above and foregoing Resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the Children and Families Commission of Orange County.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereto set my hand and seal.

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DARLENE J. BLOOM  
Clerk of the Commission, Children and Families Commission of  
Orange County, County of Orange, State of California

Resolution No: \_\_-07--C&FC

Agenda Date: October 3, 2007

Item No.



I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the

DARLENE J. BLOOM, Clerk of the Commission

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

**EXHIBIT A TO RESOLUTION OF COMMISSION**

(Attach copy of final executed Agreement No. F04-HV-07 with Maternal Outreach Management Systems, Inc.)