

April 1, 2025

Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to enter into a data use agreement between the City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services and the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health for a period of 5 years upon execution of the agreement. The Agreement may be terminated by either party by providing a 60-day advance written notice to the other party. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

City Council approval is requested to enter into a data use agreement (DUA) with County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health (Public Health) to establish a formal data access and data use relationship. The purpose of this DUA is to ensure protected health information (PHI) provided by Public Health to authorized users from City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department) jurisdiction for the Public Health Patient Safety Information Exchange (PSIE) system is safeguarded.

Patients often move across jurisdictions while seeking healthcare. Sharing patient multidrug resistant organisms (MDRO) history with authorized users from Health Department jurisdiction through PSIE will allow appropriate precautions to be put in place as soon as possible to prevent further transmission. Authorized users from Health Department jurisdiction will be able to access PSIE for patient MDRO history. If patients of interest are found to have a MDRO, including but not limited to *Candida auris*, carbapenemase-producing organisms (CPO), and carbapenem-resistant Enterobacterales (CRE), in Public Health PSIE, the authorized users from Health Department jurisdiction will have the necessary information to place appropriate precautions for the patient and prevent transmission of MDROs in facilities within Health Department jurisdiction.

The Public Health PSIE is a database used to match reported MDRO cases from Los Angeles County to healthcare facility admission and discharge data to rapidly identify patients with known MDROs upon healthcare facility admission. If patient matches in the Health Department data are found, the PSIE will notify the authorized users at the admitting healthcare facility in order for appropriate precautions to be put in place for the patient and prevent infection and transmission of MDROs in the facility.

This DUA is needed to allow PSIE to on-board Health Department users and healthcare facilities from Long Beach. This agreement confers the authority to alert Long Beach users of MDRO

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cases to the Los Angeles County Health Officer via the PSIE platform. This DUA along with the previously approved DUA (111924-PSIE (C-15)) will allow Long Beach data into PSIE and allow any hospital, skilled nursing facility, and Health Department to be notified of MDRO cases on admission.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Nicholas Masero on March 10, 2025, and by Budget Analysis Officer Greg Sorensen on March 13, 2025.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on April 1, 2025, to expedite the provision of the DUA.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the recommendation. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director
Health and Human Services

APPROVED:



THOMAS B. MODICA
CITY MANAGER