

## Executive Summary Form

### Agenda Number: HLT

**Recommendation:**

Approve IGA CTR045217 for the Hepatitis A Vaccine Program between the AZ Dept. of Health Services and Cochise Health & Social Services for the period of 6/26/19 – 6/25/24.

**Background (Brief):**

Hepatitis A is a highly contagious liver infection caused by the hepatitis A virus. It can range from a mild illness lasting a few weeks to a severe illness lasting several months. Although rare, hepatitis A can cause death in some people. Hepatitis A usually spreads when a person unknowingly ingests the virus from objects, food, or drinks contaminated by small, undetected amounts of stool from an infected person. Unvaccinated people who have been exposed recently (within 2 weeks) to the hepatitis A virus should get the hepatitis A vaccine or a shot of immune globulin to prevent severe illness. The best way to prevent hepatitis A is through vaccination with the hepatitis A vaccine.

This IGA will enable CHSS to purchase inventory of the Hep A vaccine from ADHS at the prevailing CDC price, which is about 25% lower than the prevailing market rate that CHSS has been paying.

**Fiscal Impact & Funding Sources:**

Ongoing vaccine purchases will be funded from various available sources as identified by CHSS management and County Administration. Initial purchase projected at \$45,000.

**Next Steps/Action Items/Follow-up:** Your approvals are respectfully requested.

**Impact of Not Approving:** CHSS will continue to pay the substantially higher prevailing market price for its Hepatitis A vaccine inventory.