



**Purchasing Service Agreement
CITY OF AUSTIN
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

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SUBJECT: Authorize execution of a 12-month professional services agreement with CENTRAL TEXAS MEDICAL FOUNDATION, INC. dba AUSTIN MEDICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS, Austin, TX, for out-patient obstetrical and gynecological services in an amount not to exceed \$325,000, with four 12-month extension options in amounts not to exceed \$341,250 for the first extension option, \$358,313 for the second extension option, \$376,228 for the third extension option, and \$395,040 for the fourth extension option, for a total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,795,831.

AMOUNT & SOURCE OF FUNDING: Funding in the amount of \$325,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2004-2005 Proposed Operating Budget of the Community Care Services Department. Funding for the extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

FISCAL NOTE: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

REQUESTING Purchasing	DIRECTOR'S
DEPARTMENT: for Community Care Services;	AUTHORIZATION: <u>Vickie Schubert</u>

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PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION: N/A

BOARD AND COMMISSION ACTION: N/A

PURCHASING: Public Health and Safety.

MBE / WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9 of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No goals were established due to Public Health and Safety exemption.

This professional services agreement will provide out-patient obstetrical and gynecological (OB-GYN) services for indigent or uninsured patients served by the Community Care Services Department (CCSD). Under this agreement, Austin Medical Education Programs (AMEP), a division of Seton, will provide 28 hours of OB-GYN services per week at four Community Health Centers (CHCs). In addition, AMEP physicians will participate with CHC clinical staff in a monthly multi-disciplinary team meeting to discuss protocol changes and clinical issues. AMEP is currently under contract with both Brackenridge Hospital and the Austin Women's Hospital to provide OB-GYN services to in-patients at both facilities.

While in-patient care is provided at these hospitals, out-patient care is delivered at one of the four CHCs. In order to ensure continuity of care for these patients, it is necessary that they be treated at the CHCs by the same AMEP physicians who will provide their in-patient hospital care at the time of delivery. Continuity of care ensures that the same clinical protocols are utilized throughout pre-natal care and delivery. This practice results in healthier mothers and newborns.

AMEP (formerly Central Texas Medical Foundation) has been providing these services to CHC patients since 1999.