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County Administrator

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Re: Request for placement of item on Board of Supervisors (BOS) Meeting, February 3, 2015  
Consent Calendar Agenda, Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) Approval, CTN-15-0078  
Justification for Tucson Unified School District (TUSD), Immunization Program

**Introduction**

PCHD is mandated, pursuant to A.R.S. §36-673 to provide students with immunizations required for school attendance. To this end we have worked with the Tucson Unified School District for many years to support their immunization reporting, ensure enrolled children are up-to-date with vaccinations, and facilitate compliance with this statute.

This contract continues this collaboration into the next school year. TUSD approved the agreement on January 12, 2015 and the County recently received the document for final approval. We therefore seek retroactive approval for this agreement to January 1, 2015.

**Discussion**

TUSD depends on their collaboration with the Health Department to provide training and technical assistance to support their School Nurses and other personnel in a variety of activities and tasks related to childhood immunization compliance and management among TUSD student. This effort is particularly important for low-income families and those living in areas with poor access to health care services. The result is generally of all these efforts are relatively high vaccine compliance rates (98%) for this school district during the last contract year.

**Financial Impact**

There are no un-budgeted costs to the County General Fund associated with this agreement. The IGA allows PCHD to use ADHS/CDC contract resources to provide the technical support and assistance described above to Tucson Unified School District.

**Recommendation**

Staff recommends approval of the IGA.

Approved       Not Approved

*C. Huckelberry*  
County Administrator

*1/22/15*  
Date