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## MEMO

**TO:** Commissioners

**FROM:** Rick Alford, Contracts & Evaluation Coordinator

**DATE:** September 30, 2011

**RE:** FY 11-12 El Dorado Children's Dental Van Expenditures

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### **BACKGROUND:**

The El Dorado Children's Dental Van (CDV) will be in 6 locations during FY 11-12; two locations are designated "clinic" locations (Ken Lowry and Al Tahoe) where the CDV will spend more time than at the four "outreach" locations. In planning for CDV services at these six sites, the partners are encountering some technical and electrical improvements needed to support effective operation of the CDV. The FY 11-12 Commission budget does not include any funding to support these costs.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The current identified costs for the CDV are to support technology and connectivity for operations at one new outreach site (Rescue Elementary - \$441) and hard line connections at the two "clinic" locations for electricity and internet. Current estimates to make hard line connections available at Ken Lowry and Al Tahoe total approximately \$13,000. Having hard line connections at these locations will allow the CDV to operate more efficiently, decreasing reliance on the generator for electricity and increasing internet connectivity speed which has a direct impact on patient flow.

### **CONCLUSION:**

Committing \$15,000 to support the CDV during FY 11-12 would support the technical and electrical improvements that would result in more effective and efficient services.