

PS COMMITTEE #3
April 19, 2010

WORKSESSION

MEMORANDUM

April 15, 2010

TO: Public Safety Committee

FROM: Susan J. Farag, Legislative Analyst *SJF*

SUBJECT: **WORKSESSION: FY11 Operating Budget
Prisoner Medical Services NDA**

For FY11, the County Executive is recommending \$10,000 in funding for this NDA. This NDA provides reimbursements for medical costs incurred by persons under arrest but not under the custody of the Department of Correction and Rehabilitation. The Department of Correction and Rehabilitation administers this NDA because they, unlike other criminal justice agencies/offices, handle payments for inmate medical services. The spending history for this NDA is:

FY00	\$ 125
FY01	\$ 18,516
FY02	\$ 5,616
FY03	\$ 4,644
FY04	\$ 3,946
FY05	\$ 1,558
FY06	\$ 647
FY07	\$ 47,234
FY08	\$ 10,434
FY09	\$ 27,313
FY10 (to date)	\$ 97,410

The costs for this responsibility are unpredictable. In FY06, only \$647 was spent. For FY07, over \$47,000 was spent. In FY10, to date, \$97,410 has been spent. The County will have to provide for whatever costs are incurred no matter how much is in the initial budget of this NDA. While FY09 and FY10 have exceeded the appropriation, a majority of the last ten years has been below this amount. **Council staff recommends approval of \$10,000, as recommended by the Executive.**