

Borrego Health Community Foundation

First Set of Questions-

There are a few questions regarding the application, please respond to the following:

- 1) In reviewing the submitted budget template, it only lists the \$5,000 request. Is the equipment request part of a larger client service program/project? **It was identified as a need by the case managers during Covid especially for those that live in the Eastern Coachella Valley**
- 2) Are you seeking support from other funders to obtain more blood pressure monitors for your patients? **No other funding identified at this time.**
- 3) Is the cost per monitor the best price you are able to negotiate from manufacturer/company for this equipment? **It is probably in range. We can reach out to other vendors, but quality of the unit is important. There are some that do not work correctly or provide accurate readings.**

Second Set of Questions-

- 1) Are the blood pressure monitors you are requesting to purchase automatic BP cuffs? **Yes.**
- 2) What is the criteria for a patient to receive a BP monitor? For example, is one given to uninsured patients only or ??? **Yes, with uncontrolled hypertension or struggling with monitoring during Covid.**
- 3) What is the quality of the BP monitors you are purchasing? **We looked at various types on line and proposed an estimated price. The quality would be determined by clinical staff at the time of selection and purchase.**
- 4) What is the larger program that the BP monitors are being requested? What else is going on health wise for these patients that you want to monitor their BP? **There is no larger program. These are patients with co-morbidities that do not want to be exposed to Covid and are afraid to go to the clinic for monitoring.**
- 5) What is the education program for the patients taking home a BP monitor? How are they instructed on use? What is the normal range and out of range? Is the patient instructed what to do if out of range? **All of these will be addressed by the nurse Case Manager via telehealth or phone.**