

LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 7, FILE # 030169

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File # 030169 is a resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of the Emergency Department Asthma Grant.

Background

1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) to apply for, accept and fund the Emergency Department Asthma Grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation through Children's Hospital of Wisconsin.
2. This is a continuing grant.

Discussion

1. The purpose of this grant is to improve asthma care for children for whom treatment is sought in citywide hospital emergency departments.
2. A patient tracking system will be developed as well as emergency department interventions that will emphasize family-centered education and primary medical care. This system is to automate the collection and display of environmental health data. Additionally, work has been initiated over this first year to correlate outdoor air quality with asthma-related emergency room visits.
3. This project seeks to reduce the number of asthma-related hospitalizations for children less than 18 years of age.
4. This project is in cooperation with Children's Hospital of Wisconsin.
5. Approved funding will encompass the period of October 1, 2002 through September 20, 2003.
6. A multi-year project is anticipated through September 30, 2004 with funding approval sought on an annual basis. The current grant represents Year 2 funding.

Fiscal Impact

1. The total of this grant is \$10,000, entirely from the grantor. No city matching funds are required. \$8,000 is to be expended for contracts for data collection, formatting, tracking and management.

2. Program Supplies (\$1,000) and Travel and Training (\$1,000) are included expenditures in the grant budget.
3. The three-year funding for this grant is anticipated to total \$30,000.

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