

**GRANT ANALYSIS FORM  
OPERATING & CAPITAL GRANT PROJECTS/PROGRAMS**

Department/Division: Health / Maternal & Child Health

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**Category of Request**

New Grant

Grant Continuation

Change in Previously Approved Grant

Previous Council File No. 011687

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**Project/Program Title:** Early Child Care Grant

**Grantor Agency:** U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

**Grant Application Date:** July 21, 2003

**Anticipated Award Date:** Sept. 1, 2003

**Please provide the following information:**

**1. Description of Grant Project/Program (Include Target Locations and Populations):**

The Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) will work to assure the health and safety of children (birth to five) who attend group licensed child care centers. The program will work with centers that are participating in the collaborative project of Milwaukee Public Schools, Milwaukee Area Technical College, and Milwaukee County in a project called PACES (Partners Acting on the Commitment for Early Success). The Health and Safety in Child Care program will be concentrated in child care facilities located in areas identified as having a large percentage of children at high risk primarily Milwaukee's central city. The PACES child care centers are participating in a quality improvement activities and attend regularly scheduled director's meetings, staff trainings, and continue to improve the quality of programming in their center. Public Health Nurses will be trained as Child Care Health Consultants and work with Center Directors, staff, and families on improving the health of children through training, observation of the staff to child interactions, developing center policies in the area of health and safety, referral to medical assistance and other community resources for children and families. An Environmental Hygienist will assess child care facilities for environmental, health and safety hazards, develop an improvement plan, and assist with coordinating services for centers. A health educator will provide educational sessions for parents, children, and child care workers.

**2. Relationship to City-wide Strategic Goals and Departmental Objectives:**

The Milwaukee Health Department is committed to strengthening the connection between the health community and the childcare community, thus establishing its ultimate goal of promoting the optimal health and well being of children in childcare and the Milwaukee Community.

**3. Need for Grant Funds and Impact on Other Departmental Operations (Applies only to Programs):**

Assessment of the health and well being of children has been difficult for the MHD with the advent of Wisconsin Works (W-2). Public health workers can access children where they are, namely childcare settings. Grant funds will extend the MHD's ability to provide consultation, education, referral and follow-up in early child care settings with high risk children. Early intervention related to lead poisoning, immunizations, review of children vision and developmental screening, and environmental hazards will promote health and school readiness of pre-school children.

**4. Results Measurement/Progress Report (Applies only to Programs):**

- a. The percentage of immunization records of centers reviewed, referral for immunizations, and follow up with families and child care centers.
- b. The number of reportable communicable diseases related to childcare centers.
- c. Consultation services provided in the areas of injury prevention, assessing parents and centers' needs for health and safety training, and providing referrals to community services and linking children and families to medical assistance.
- d. The percentage of centers that have participated in environmental assessments and developed plan of action in the areas of environmental hazards.

5. **Grant Period, Timetable and Program Phase-out Plan:**

September 1, 2003 – August 30, 2004 renewal possible in 2004

6. **Provide a List of Subgrantees:**

N/A

7. **If Possible, Complete Grant Budget Form and Attach to Back.**