

**LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS**

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**ITEM 6, FILE # 011557**

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File # 011557 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 new 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.
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, 2001 through September 20, 2002.
6. A multi-year project is anticipated through September 30, 2004 with funding approval sought on an annual basis.

**Fiscal Impact**

1. The total of this grant is \$10,000, entirely from the grantor. No city matching funds are required. This money is to be expended for a contract for the development of a computer application to interface with hospital emergency department databases.

2. The three-year funding for this grant is anticipated to total \$30,000.

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