

LRB – FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 6, FILE 001782

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File #001782 is a resolution relative to the application, acceptance and funding of the School-Based Medical Assistance Outreach Grant by the Health Department.

Background and Discussion

1. This resolution authorizes the Health Department to apply for, accept and fund the School-Based Medical Assistance Outreach Grant from the State of Wisconsin Division of Health and Family Services through Community Advocates funded by The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. *The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation is a national philanthropy established in 1972 devoted to improving health and health care. One area of concentration is to assure that all Americans have access to basic health care at a reasonable cost.*
2. The purpose of this grant is to increase the enrollment of eligible families in Medicaid and BadgerCare. This is a continuation grant.
3. This grant is specifically targeted those children and their families who receive free lunch or reduced lunch at Milwaukee Public Schools. The department sends out information to the families about enrolling in a health-care plan. Families are contacted, an initial assessment is made of the family size and household income; the documentation is reviewed and questions are answered.
4. If the family is eligible, they are referred to an agency, a clinic, a family service organization or a community based organization to enroll in a health-care plan. From the response during the last grant period, 897 families were enrolled within a program. This grant period could expect 1200 to 2000 responses.

Fiscal Impact

1. The total funding for the School-Based Medical Assistance Outreach Grant is \$45,470 from the grantor. There is no city in-kind share.
2. The grant funds the following position:
 - Health Access Assistant II, SG 425
3. The grant period is from April 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002.

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