

**LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS**

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**ITEM 21, FILE # 030663**

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File # 030663 is a resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of the Congenital Disorders Grant.

**Background**

1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) to apply for, accept and fund the Congenital Disorders program from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services.
2. This is a grant continuation. MHD has received funding for this program for approximately 16 years.

**Discussion**

1. The purpose of this program is to screen infants born for over 26 rare disorders including hypothyroidism and sickle cell diseases. Approximately 150 screens are performed in a 12-month grant period.
2. 90% of the identified cases of sickle cell diseases in Wisconsin live in the Milwaukee area.
3. In addition to screening, project outreach assists families in accessing medical care for follow-up testing and appropriate continuing care from medical providers. MHD staff participation in this grant includes advocacy and education regarding congenital disorders.
4. This program also provides education to clients and medical professionals regarding newborn screenings. Children with positive screens are referred to the appropriate medical provider.
5. This grant encompasses the period of July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004.

**Fiscal Impact**

1. The total amount of this grant is \$121,627, entirely from the grantor.
2. This grant will fund the following existing MHD positions with salary and fringe benefits:
  - 1 Public Health Nurse Supervisor (0.75 FTE), SG 007

- 1 Clinic Assistant (0.5 FTE), SG 309
- 1 Public Health Nurse ( 0.15 FTE), SG 666
- 1 Office Assistant II (0.6 FTE), SG 410

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