

LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 12, FILE 010648

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File #010648 is a resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of the Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF) – Reproductive Health Grant.

Background

This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) to apply for, accept and fund the TANF- Reproductive Health grant project from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services. The purpose of this grant is to increase public awareness of the need for early identification of pregnancy and early prenatal care.

Discussion

This is a new grant for the period, July 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001.

Free pregnancy testing services will be provided at adolescent school health program assigned schools where an MHD public health nurse is present, MHD health center clinics and WIC sites. The target age group for this initiative will be young women of teen age through 24 years. MHD staff will provide counseling and education based upon the results of the pregnancy test and appropriate to the individual circumstance including pre-conception health, pre-natal care, nutrition, sexually transmitted diseases and family planning.

3. Marquette University nursing students will participate in developing educational materials to be distributed with the pregnancy testing kits.
4. This project will emphasize appropriate health care for the individual women relative to their pre-conception or pre-natal plans.
5. This project will accent the health department's strategic goal of lowering the health risks of infants born to teens and to reduce the number of teen pregnancies. Women who are pregnant or thinking about becoming pregnant will be assisted in developing appropriate pathways for healthy pre-conception and pre-natal care.

Fiscal Impact

Funding for the grant is \$13,715 from the grantor including \$9,715 for supplies and pregnancy testing kits. There is no City in-kind share for this project.

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