

LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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File # 070615 is a resolution relating to application, acceptance and funding of the Childhood Immunization Disparities Grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Background

1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department to apply for, accept and fund the Childhood Immunization Disparities grant project from the Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
2. This is a continuing grant.

Discussion

1. The purposes of this project include reducing immunization disparities and increasing immunization rates. Immunization coverage rates for city of Milwaukee children are estimated to be nearly 30% less than that of Milwaukee County as a whole. A substantial immunization gap exists between races/ethnicities within the city. Based on data from the Wisconsin Immunization Registry, the immunization completion rate for African American children ages 19 to 35 months is 36% as compared to 52% for white children and 57% for Latino children.
2. The Healthy People 2010 objective for childhood immunization rates is 90%.
3. This funding will enable MHD to conduct citywide reminders, outreach to healthcare and childcare providers and provide medical assistance outreach.
4. This project further seeks to:
 - Implement provider education and evaluate the effectiveness in decreasing immunization errors and missed opportunities for immunization
 - Implement a set of community intervention activities
 - Develop sustainable interventions for reducing racial disparities in immunizations
5. This grant funding encompasses the period of September 30, 2007 through September 29, 2008.

Fiscal Effect

1. The total amount of this grant is \$300,000, entirely from the grantor. This is the same amount as was awarded for 2006-2007.
2. 75% of this grant (\$224,740) will fund the following existing positions in MHD with salary and fringe benefits: 1 FTE Health Information Specialist (SG 593); 0.5 FTE Office Assistant II (SG 410); and 1.75 FTE Public Health Nurse (SG 666)
3. Supplies, materials and services are budgeted at \$51,400. \$13,000 of this amount has been budgeted for incentives for program participants.
4. Contractual services, intern services, physician services and consulting are budgeted at \$23,860, approximately \$10,000 less than in 2006.

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