

**LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION**

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**MAY 29, 2008**

**ITEM 16, FILE # 071304**

**File # 071304 is a resolution relative to the application, acceptance, funding and expenditure of the Ecocultural Family Interview Assessment Grant program from the University of Wisconsin-School of Medicine and Public Health.**

**Background**

1. As a result of the conversion of Blue Cross & Blue Shield United of Wisconsin to a for-profit corporation, a large pool of funding was divided between the Medical College of Wisconsin and the University of Wisconsin-School of Medicine and Public Health to establish 2 foundations supporting health research, health legislation and public health partnerships. The partnership grant program sponsored by the University of Wisconsin-School of Medicine and Public Health is known as the Wisconsin Partnership Program for a Healthy Future (WPPHF).
2. The objectives of the Ecocultural Family Interview Assessment project include development of effective client care plans for selected Health Department Home Visiting Clients. An assessment tool will be used to determine the utility and impact of information provided in Home Visiting contacts. A similar tool has been shown to be effective in homes of children with disabilities. Outcomes should include provision of more detailed information missing from general health assessments and more effective linkage of needs to services.

**Discussion**

1. The proposed first year award of \$148,082 is 100% grantor share. Two additional years may be awarded subject to annual approval.
2. The formal grant period is 9/1/08 to 3/26/09. However, based upon past practice, it is anticipated that, once implemented, an extension of the grant period will be authorized by WPPHF to a full year of project operation. Therefore, the following project budget contemplates a full year of operation:

<b><u>Item</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
PERSONNEL COSTS	
Health Project Coordinator (1.0 FTE)	\$ 53,000
Office Assistant (1.0 FTE)	16,050
FRINGE BENEFITS	28,311
SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS	
Office Supplies	12,046
Participant Incentives	3,750
SERVICES	
Mileage/travel	1,425
License Fee for Data Storage	1,000
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	
Evaluator, Consulting Fees	32,500
<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b>\$148,082</b>

3. The 2 positions supported by the proposed grant are new positions. The Health Project Coordinator will be paid at salary grade 5 and the Office Assistant will be paid at pay range 410.
4. The project involves a 3-way partnership with individuals at UW-Madison and UCLA, providing evaluation and other services. Consultants will also provide technical assistance in project design and in data analysis.
5. The resolution in File # 071304 authorizes the City Comptroller to commit \$148,082 grantor share funds within the Project/Grant Parent of the 2008 Special Revenue-Grant and Aid Projects Fund and to create appropriate Special Revenue Fund-Grant and Aid Project/Grant and Project /Grant levels.
6. The resolution authorizes application for, acceptance and funding of the program by the Health Department and further authorizes expenditures from appropriated amounts as indicated in the program budget and for training and out-of-town travel. The resolution authorizes the Health Department to enter into subcontracts as specified in the budget.

### **Fiscal Impact**

1. There is no fiscal impact on the tax levy. The proposed grant will not supplant existing resources.

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