

LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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ITEM 22, FILE # 080024

File # 080024 is a resolution relative to application, acceptance, funding and expenditure of the Weinhardt Computerized HIV Intervention Grant from the Medical College of Wisconsin.

Background

1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) to apply for, accept and fund the Weinhardt Computerized HIV Intervention Grant project from the Medical College of Wisconsin.
2. This is a continuing grant supporting research sponsored by Dr. Lance S. Weinhardt, PhD, of the Medical College of Wisconsin's Center for AIDS Intervention Research (CAIR).

Discussion

1. The purpose of the project is to assess the effectiveness of HIV risk reduction counseling delivered by a computer.
2. This research project provides an opportunity for clients accessing services for sexually transmitted diseases at the MHD Keenan Central Health Clinic to interface with a computer program in order to receive risk reduction information. Clients are compensated separately for project participation in the amount of \$155 covering an initial 2-hour interview and a 12-month follow-up.
3. This research study provides information for evaluation of various risk-reduction counseling methods. MHD is providing the Medical College with space to conduct the study as well as access to the clinic population.
4. This grant encompasses the period of April 1, 2008, through March 31, 2009.

Fiscal Effect

1. The total amount of this grant is \$96,683, entirely from the grantor. This is approximately 3.0% greater than the previous annual award.
2. This grant funds one existing MHD position within the STD Surveillance and Treatment Program for a Nurse Practitioner, SG 670, with salary and fringe benefits totaling \$86,863. An amount of \$10,000 is provided for office and clinic supplies.
3. The resolution in File #080024 authorizes the City Comptroller to commit \$96,683 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.

4. The resolution further authorizes the Health Department, consistent with the terms of the grant, to: expend from these budgeted amounts; enter into subcontracts and leases; to expend 2008 budgeted grants for equipment deemed necessary to the operation of the program; and to expend funds for training and out-of-town travel of departmental staff from the grant funds in 2008.

Fiscal Impact

1. The proposed \$96,683 in non-O&M funding will support continuation of activities and services that would not be provided absent such funding.
2. There is no impact on the tax levy.

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