LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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File # 060499 is a resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of the HIV Women's Grant.

Background

- 1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department to apply for, accept and fund the HIV Women's Grant project for the Medical College of Wisconsin.
- 2. This is a grant continuation.

Discussion

- 1. This program strives to provide continuity of care through coordination with primary health care, mental health and social service professionals.
- 2. The staff seeks to coordinate all components of the clients' health care through client advocacy, the identification of appropriate medical and other health-related pathways, proper nutrition, and medication compliance. The goal of this project is to bridge a gap in the care of HIV-infected women and link patients to primary infectious disease specialists and gynecological care.
- 3. The health department works closely with the various service professionals to assure that family members of the client are included in the overall dimensions of the health and social services processes.
- 4. The health department has formed a working relationship with the Medical College of Wisconsin and the AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin and is a part of the Wisconsin HIV Primary Care Support Network, a network of primary health care providers.
- 5. The evaluation of this program initiative is conducted in conjunction with the Medical College of Wisconsin. The goal is to improve the health outcomes of women through linkage with infectious disease specialists and to reduce the incidence of communicable disease.
- 6. The public health nurses are currently supervising a caseload of 55 women.
- 7. This grant encompasses the period of August 1, 2006 through July 31, 2007.

Fiscal Effect

- 1. The total amount of this grant is \$201, 890 entirely from the grantor.
- 2. The grant budget provides for the salary, fringe benefits and expenses for 3 existing Public Health Nurses, SG 666.

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