

LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 2, FILE # 071216

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File # 071216 is a resolution relative to the application, acceptance, and funding of the Private Healthcare Provider Education and Awareness on Antiviral Medication Use During Pandemic Influenza grant from the National Association of City and County Health Officials (NACCHO).

Background

1. The threat of pandemic flu and the risks of intentional infliction of infectious agents on vulnerable populations by bio-terrorists has resulted in questions about the knowledge and readiness of private health care providers to provide antiviral and other prophylaxis to patients and populations.
2. The National Association of City and County Health Officials has made funding available to local agencies to explore private health provider knowledge about antiviral and other pharmaceutical dispensing in potential pandemic flu and other communicable disease crises that will result in improved and comprehensive information and education.
3. It is expected that the proposed survey and assessment will result in information leading to improvement in planning for deployment of antiviral medications in a pandemic crisis.

Discussion

1. The grantor proposes an award of \$84,557, grantor share only, for this new initiative of the Milwaukee Health Department to be allocated as follows:
2. The period of the award is for a 6-month period and is to be expended between February 1, 2008 and June 30, 2008.
3. The funds to be allocated under the proposed award are budgeted as follows:

Personnel Costs	Health Project Coordinator (0.25 FTE)	\$ 6,924
Fringe Benefits (41%)		2,839
Operating Expenditures	Incentives	5,000
Operating Expenditures	General Supplies	3,500
Contractual Costs		66,294
Total		\$84,557

4. The category of “Contractual Services” includes the following:

“Tabletop Exercise”

\$26,294

The tabletop exercise is the culmination of the project to be conducted by May 31, 2008. The tabletop exercise will engage regional private sector healthcare partners in discussion about their knowledge and practices relating to antiviral pharmaceutical use during influenza seasons as well as pre-planning for antiviral distribution and use during a influenza pandemic. This exercise will be facilitated under a consulting contract that will provide for post –exercise assessment and the development of a subsequent report and materials consistent with the [Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program \(HSEEP\) format](#).

“Contractor”

\$15,000

This person will be responsible for developing a private healthcare assessment tool (survey) to determine current knowledge and practice related to antiviral pharmaceutical use during seasonal influenza and in the event of an influenza pandemic. The contractor will also conduct analysis of the survey and participate in development of a MHD “toolkit” for private healthcare providers to improve knowledge of appropriate antiviral use during seasonal and pandemic influenza.

Graphics/Media Development

\$15,000

These funds will be used in the design and development of the private healthcare educational toolkit to be administered after the survey and prior to conducting the tabletop exercise. This will include both web and traditional print media.

Center for Urban Population Studies

\$10,000

The grantor proposes an academic partner to assist in distribution of both the survey and educational toolkit and well as perhaps review and consultation on development of both.

5. The resolution in File #071216 authorizes the City Comptroller to commit \$84,557 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. The Comptroller is further authorized to establish City Share Project Values.
6. The resolution further authorizes the Health Department, consistent with the terms of the grant, to: expend from these budgeted amounts; enter into subcontracts; expend for specific items of equipment and to expend funds for training and out-of-town travel of departmental staff from the grant funds in 2008.

Fiscal Impact

1. This resolution provides for application, acceptance and funding of a grant from the National Association of City and County Health Officials (NACCHO) in the amount of \$84,557 within fiscal year 2008, entirely grantor share.
2. There is no impact on the tax levy.

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