



CITY OF LONG BEACH C-12

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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August 10, 2010

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all necessary documents and amendments between the City of Long Beach and the State of California Department of Health Services for the provision of immunization services in the amount of \$349,660 for the period of July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

Since 1993, the Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department) has received funding from the State of California Department of Health Services (State) to supplement local childhood immunization programs and services. The goal of the Health Department Immunization Program is to increase the immunization rates of children and to decrease the occurrence of vaccine-preventable diseases in Long Beach. The target objectives are that 90 percent of children in Long Beach will be fully vaccinated with all of the pediatric doses of vaccines recommended by age two, and that at least 95 percent of kindergarten enrollees into public and private schools in Long Beach will be up-to-date upon entry. Currently, 75-78 percent of two-year-olds have received all of the recommended vaccines. This percentage has increased significantly from 40 percent in 1993 when the project started. In 2009, 94 percent of Long Beach kindergarten enrollees were fully immunized by the first day of school. A major emphasis of this project is to monitor the efforts of the schools as they bring those students into compliance with immunization requirements to attend school and child care.

Immunization Program Activities

The Health Department will use this award to continue to provide and coordinate local immunization program activities. These funds will be utilized by the Health Department for the provision of the following services: immunization education for providers, parents and the community; outreach to target populations; supplemental staffing at Health Department immunization clinics; annual pre-school, Head Start and kindergarten immunization records assessments; quality assurance reviews in the Health Department and private non-profit clinics; case management for hepatitis B prevention; outreach and clinic interventions to promote and provide recently developed new vaccines for adults and children; and recall/reminder systems to ensure on-time receipt of immunizations. The Immunization Program also coordinates the annual flu vaccine campaign which conducts clinics for people over age 60 and those with chronic medical conditions.

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A portion of this funding will be used to supplement immunization services provided by The Children's Clinic (\$75,000) and the Westside Neighborhood Clinic (\$10,000) here in Long Beach. These funds were awarded to The Children's Clinic and the Westside Neighborhood Clinic by the State following a competitive grant process. The Health Department receives \$1,500 for administration fees related to these subcontracts.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Trang on July 21, 2010 and by Budget Officer Victoria Bell on July 29, 2010.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is requested on August 10, 2010 as services under this agreement began on July 1, 2010.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City will receive grant revenues of \$349,660 to offset expenditures of the same amount. Sufficient funds are currently appropriated in the Health Fund (SR 130) and the Department of Health and Human Services (HE). There is no City match required, no impact to the General Fund and no net impact to jobs associated with this action.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:



PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER