



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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July 17, 2007

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents and subsequent amendments with the State of California Department of Health Services for the provision of immunization services, in the amount of \$323,814 for the period of one year, and execute a service subcontract with a designated service provider. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

Since 1993, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) 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 DHHS 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 the two-year-olds in Long Beach will be vaccinated with all of the recommended pediatric doses of vaccines by the year 2010 and at least 95 percent of new enrollees into public and private schools in Long Beach will be up-to-date. Currently, 75 percent of two-year-olds have received all of the recommended vaccines. This percentage has increased significantly from 40 percent in 1993. Additionally, in 2006, 96 percent of Long Beach kindergarten enrollees were fully immunized by the first day of school.

Immunization Program Activities

The DHHS will use this award to continue to provide and coordinate local immunization program activities. These funds will be utilized by the DHHS for the provision of the following services: immunization education for providers, parents and the community; outreach to target populations; immunization clinics at the DHHS; annual pre-school, Head Start and kindergarten immunization records assessments; quality assurance reviews in public clinics and selected private provider offices; provider recruitment and local coordination of the web-based immunization registry; 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 (\$65,000) will be used to fund immunization services provided by The Children's Clinic here in Long Beach.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Lori Conway on June 29, 2007 and by Budget and Performance Bureau Manager David Wodynski on July 2, 2007.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is requested on July 17 as services under this agreement began on July 1, 2007.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City will receive grant revenues of \$323,814 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) to support this grant activity.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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DIRECTOR
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:



ANTHONY W. BATTS
CITY MANAGER