



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute all necessary agreements, and any subsequent amendments, between the City of Long Beach and the State of California Department of Health Care Services in an amount not to exceed \$593,892 for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 to continue the Child Health and Disability Prevention (CHDP) Program to implement program requirements as set forth in Health and Safety Code, Article 6, Section 124025 et seq. and Article 4.7, Section 14148.3 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. (Citywide)

Since 1995, the California State Department of Health Services has allocated funds to the Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department) to administer the Child Health and Disability Prevention (CHDP) Program. The CHDP program provides complete health assessments for the early detection and prevention of disease and disabilities for low-income children and youth. A health assessment consists of a health history, physical examination, developmental assessment, nutritional assessment, dental assessment, vision and hearing tests, a tuberculin test, laboratory tests, immunizations, health education/anticipatory guidance, and referral for any needed diagnosis and treatment.

There is substantial national and international evidence that comprehensive early intervention and regular health screenings among children and adolescents have long- term benefits for physical and mental health, educational achievement and emotional functioning. The program is targeted toward low-income children up to age 21 who are in need of ongoing well-child checkups and health screening services, and who may also need referral assistance for ongoing health care resources. For program year 2012 - 2013, staff reviewed the health assessment results of over 41,600 children who had received CHDP health assessments. There are 39 CHDP providers in Long Beach, who provide an average of 4,000 plus CHDP exams per month.

The Health Department's CHDP Program carries out community activities which include planning, evaluation and monitoring, case management, informing and providing health education materials, provider recruitment, quality assurance, and client support services, such as assistance with transportation and medical, dental, and mental health appointment scheduling and encouraging the completion of an application for ongoing health care coverage. The CHDP Program is responsible for resource and provider development to ensure that high quality services are delivered and available to eligible children/youth. The program informs the target populations to increase their participation, and community agencies and residents to increase the knowledge and acceptance of preventive services.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Linda Vu on August 22, 2013 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on August 26, 2013.

City Council action is requested on September 10, 2013, as services have been provided under all of the programs related to the agreement since July 1, 2013; the City will be unable to recover any of

the related costs until the agreement is approved. Implementation of this contract was not possible in July 2013, due to delays at the State level.

The City will receive grant revenues of \$593,892 for the grant period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. Sufficient funds have been budgeted in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Department of Health and Human Services (HE). There is no City match, and no net impact to jobs associated with this action.

Approve recommendation.

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APPROVED:

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