



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement, and any subsequent amendments, between the City of Long Beach and the State of California Department of Public Health, Office of AIDS, in the amount of \$3,808,592 for the provision of HIV/AIDS health care services for the period of April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2019; and

Increase appropriations in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Health and Human Services Department (HE) by \$560,622. (Citywide)

For the past 28 years, the California Department of Public Health, Office of AIDS (State) has contracted with the City, through the Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department), to provide the HIV Care Program (HCP), formally known as the HIV Early Intervention Program (EIP). The HCP provides quality of life enhancement to those individuals infected with, and affected by, HIV. Integrated into the HCP services is the Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI), which provides additional funding to assist to prevent further transmission and reduce the impact of HIV/AIDS on racial and ethnic minorities.

The HCP provides comprehensive medical services including diagnostic testing, case management, health education, treatment coordination and advocacy, counseling and specialty referrals and other direct linkages to outside services as needed. The MAI portion of these services include treatment adherence, outreach, risk reduction and other services, which assist HIV infected individuals with overcoming barriers that prevent linkage to and transition into care. Additionally, the MAI brings individuals who have been newly diagnosed with HIV/AIDS, into medical care and assists those who fall out of care to overcome barriers and return to care. These funds also provide for enhanced partner counseling and referral services. These new funds will increase our client caseload by 100 unduplicated clients per year. The City still maintains a high incidence and rate of HIV disease, which necessitates and depends on this ongoing funding.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Amy R. Webber on March 25, 2016 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on April 4, 2016.

City Council action on this matter is requested on April 19, 2016, as the Health Department will be providing services under this contract as of April 1, 2016, but will be unable to recover costs until the agreement is approved.

The agreement amount totals \$3,808,592 for the period of April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2019. An appropriation increase in the amount of \$560,622 for FY 16 program costs is requested in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Health and Human Services Department (HE).

No match or in-kind service mandate is required. Due to grant requirements and objectives, six new positions within the Physician Services Bureau will support these services and will be funded by this agreement through March 31, 2017.

Approve recommendation.

KELLY COLOPY
DIRECTOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:

PATRICK H. WEST
CITY MANAGER