



# CITY OF LONG BEACH

# C-23

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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August 1, 2006

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
City of Long Beach  
California

## RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to execute all necessary documents and amendments with the State of California Department of Health Services for the provision of immunization services in the amount of \$304,012, and execute a subcontract in the amount of \$65,000 and any subsequent amendments with The Children's Clinic for the period of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007. (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 objective 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. In accordance with the Healthy People 2010 goals, the primary objectives of this project are that 90 percent of Long Beach children will be age-appropriately immunized by the age of two years and that at least 95 percent of children will be fully immunized at the time of kindergarten entry. 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 2005, 96 percent of Long Beach kindergarten enrollees were fully immunized by the first day of school.

### Immunization Program Activities

The DHHS will use the \$304,012 funding 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; walk-in immunization clinics at the DHHS; distribution of vaccine supplies to school-based clinics; 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; and recall/reminder systems to ensure on-time receipt of immunizations. The focus of this project will be expanded through outreach strategies and clinic interventions that will promote and provide recently developed new vaccines for teens and adults.

A portion of this funding in the amount of \$65,000 will fund immunization services provided by The Children's Clinic in Long Beach. This is a requirement of the State agency.

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This matter was reviewed by Senior Deputy City Attorney Donna F. Gwin on July 10, 2006 and Budget Management Officer David Wodynski on July 20, 2006.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action on this matter is requested on August 1, 2006, as services under this agreement began on July 1, 2006.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City will receive grant revenues of \$304,012 to offset expenditures of the same amount. Funds are currently appropriated in the Health Fund (SR 130) and the Department of Health and Human Services (HE).

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPROVED:



GERALD R. MILLER  
CITY MANAGER