



Legislation Text

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Recommendation to authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement and any subsequent amendments, with the State of California Department of Health Care Services, to continue the Child Health and Disability Prevention Program, in an amount not to exceed \$594,677, for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. (Citywide)

Since 1995, the California State Department of Health Services has allocated funds to the Health and Human Services Department (Health Department) to administer the CHDP Program and 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. 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 to ensure ongoing well-child checkups and health screening services, and to provide referral assistance for additional health care resources. It is estimated that over 39,000 children receive CHDP health assessments annually. There are 40 CHDP providers in Long Beach, who provide approximately 3,250 CHDP exams per month.

The Health Department's CHDP Program carries out community activities that 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 T. Vu on October 19, 2016 and by Budget Management Officer Rhutu Amin Gharib on October 27, 2016.

City Council action is requested on November 15, 2016, to continue to provide services and meet required objectives.

The City is eligible to receive reimbursement up to \$594,677 for the grant period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. Sufficient appropriation is budgeted in the Health Fund (SR 130) in the Health and Human Services Department (HE). No match or in-kind service mandate is required, and there is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

Approve recommendation.

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APPROVED:

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