



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST (long form)

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Meeting Date: 12/02/2010
Agenda Item #: R-8
Est. Start Time: 10:10 am
Date Submitted: 11/17/2010

Agenda Title: **Notice of Intent to submit a grant request to the Health Resources and Services Administration in the amount of \$425,000 to support a new School-Based Health Center at Centennial High School.**

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title.

Requested Meeting Date: December 2, 2010 **Amount of Time** 5 minutes
Department: Health **Division:** Integrated Clinical Services
Contact(s): Susan Kirchoff & Tom Waltz
Phone: 503-988-3663 **Ext.** 25870 or 22670 **I/O Address:** 160/9
Presenter(s): Susan Kirchoff

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Authorize the Director of the Health Department to submit a grant request to the Health Resources and Services Administration in the amount of \$425,000 to support the establishment of a School-Based Health Center at Centennial High School consistent with the national strategy to increase access to health care under the Patient Safety and Affordable Care Act of 2010.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.

School-Based Health Center Program - In addition to its eight community health centers, the Multnomah County Health Department provides primary care services at 12 school-based health centers located in schools in the Portland, Parkrose and David Douglas School Districts. The Health Department also operates a clinic site that focuses on teen health, which is located in Gresham. School-based health services are located on campuses to promote students' health, readiness to learn and academic success; and to reduce certain risky behaviors common to adolescent teens. It is also believed that having access to health services on campus can improve rates of high school graduation.

All of the Department's school-based health centers meet the Oregon State School-Based Health Center certification standards, and are accredited by the Joint Commission. All of the Department's

programs strive to employ best practices and utilize quality improvement processes based on evaluation and outcome data. School-based health centers are linked to the Health Department's health centers and administration systems through an electronic health record. These certifications, accreditations, practices and records systems are equally applied to all new health center sites operated by the Health Department.

School-Based Health Center Community Engagement Project: During September 2010, the Health Department completed a community engagement process to assess the need and desirability of establishing school-based health centers to serve students attending three east Multnomah County high schools (one high school in the Centennial School District and two in the Gresham/Barlow School District). A core component of the School-Based Community Engagement Project was to establish a steering committee of stakeholders to assess the viability of potential school-based health service sites, and to provide recommendations concerning the establishment of new school-based health centers in east Multnomah County.

The community engagement project involved 30 public meetings that were attended by more than 300 individuals representing a wide range of stakeholders including parents, students, school staff, human service agencies, and community, faith and business organizations. A website was created by the school districts to educate the public about school-based health services and to keep the community informed about the work of the Steering Committee (see <http://www.centennial.k12.or.us/sbhc/>).

Ultimately, the recommendations of the project's Steering Committee were based on input obtained through the community engagement process, and they also included consideration of the following kinds of information:

- Concerns of parents, students, teachers, school board and school administration, and community and faith-based organizations.
- Need for health services based on key health indicators and socio-economic factors in each of the schools' service districts.
- Appropriateness and availability of facilities to serve as a school health clinic.
- Student accessibility to existing health facilities and resources in the community, especially for families who lack insurance or the ability to pay the cost of care.

Recommendations to Expand School-Based Health Services: During September 2010, the School-Based Community Engagement Project's Steering Committee recommended that school-based health centers be established at each of the three high schools in east Multnomah County. The committee also recommended that a school based health center should first be established at Centennial High School, and later at Gresham High School and at Sam Barlow High School. Both School Boards adopted the Steering Committee's recommendations by unanimous votes.

This project will support the Health Department's efforts to meet the health care needs of low income youths as specified in FY 2011 Program Offer #40024 (School-Based Health Centers).

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

No County funding is requested, and ongoing grant funding will support operations.

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

None identified; providing school-based health services is consistent with County policy to address the health care needs of Multnomah County youths.

5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

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This proposed project has been approved by the Multnomah County Community Health Council, and letters of support have been received from numerous community organizations including Outside In, Central City Concern, Native American Rehabilitation Association, Yakima Valley's Rosewood Clinic, and OHSU's Richmond Clinic.

ATTACHMENT A

Grant Application/Notice of Intent

If the request is a Grant Application or Notice of Intent, please answer all of the following in detail:

- **Who is the granting agency?**

Health Resources and Services Administration.

- **Specify grant (matching, reporting and other) requirements and goals.**

No match is required for this grant. Grantees are expected to monitor expenses, report activities on regular intervals as established in the grant agreement.

- **Explain grant funding detail – is this a one time only or long term commitment?**

The Health Department will request \$425,000 to support clinical operations and a significant portion of the renovation costs associated with the building that will house the new health center. Federal grant funding is limited to \$150,000 for capital costs associated with the renovation needs of the building that will house the new health center. Centennial School District and Health Department staff estimate that the renovation costs will be \$400,000 based on recent experience with projects of similar scale. Thus, an additional \$250,000 is needed to bridge the gap between the Federal funding limit for renovation costs and the total cost of renovation. The Health Department is seeking this additional funding from multiple health services organizations in the community.

- **What are the estimated filing timelines?**

This grant application involves the Federal electronic submission process through the HRSA Electronic Handbooks (EHB). The filing deadline to submit the application to the EHB is December 15, 2010, and awards are to be announced on August 1, 2011. The Federal government anticipates

making 350 grant awards through this program.

- **If a grant, what period does the grant cover?**

This grant will cover two years (August 1, 2011 through July 31, 2013).

- **When the grant expires, what are funding plans?**

The funding period for this grant is two years from the date of grant award. The Federal grant program, in addition to third party billing, will provide sufficient funding for ongoing operations of the new school-based health center at Centennial High School. After two years, the Federal government will increase the Health Department's annual Section 330 grant funding to ensure that the new health center continues operations.

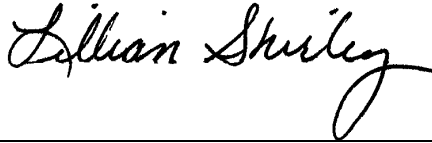
- **Will the county indirect, central finance and human resources and departmental overhead costs be covered?**

Yes, each of these administrative costs (including facilities) will be covered in the grant request.

ATTACHMENT B

Required Signatures

Elected Official or
Department/
Agency Director:



Date: 11/16/2010



Budget Analyst:

Shannon Busby

Date: 11/17/2010