



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST NOTICE OF INTENT

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Meeting Date: 12/02/2010
Agenda Item #: C-2
Est. Start Time: 9:30 am
Date Submitted: 11/15/2010

Agenda Title: **NOTICE OF INTENT to submit a grant request to the Health Resources and Services Administration for \$50,000 to support the purchase of capital equipment for School-Based Health Clinics.**

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title sufficient to describe the action requested.

Requested Meeting Date: 07/22/2010 **Amount of Time Needed:** Consent item
Department: Health **Division:** Integrated Clinical Services
Contact(s): Jill Daniels, Program Manager; Tom Waltz, HSDA/Grant Writer
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Presenter(s): None (grant request is less than \$150,000).

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 for \$50,000 to purchase new capital equipment to enhance the quality of care delivered at County-operated School-Based Health Centers. This project is in response to approval of the Health Reform Legislation signed into law by President Obama on March 23, 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.

Through the Health Department's School-Based Health Center Program, 13 fully equipped medical clinics are available to school-aged children through out the county. Twelve of the clinics are located in schools and one clinic is school linked. This important County program assures access to care by providing services during and after regular school hours, with multiple sites open for the summer and school breaks to ensure continuity of care. Each site is staffed with a Nurse Practitioner, Registered Nurse, Medical Assistant and an Office Assistant. Services include acute, chronic and preventive care, age appropriate reproductive health, exams, risk assessments, prescriptions, immunizations, fitness and nutrition education/counseling and referrals. This comprehensive

approach enables early identification and intervention, thereby reducing the consequences of risky behaviors. Service sites are geographically dispersed, and all of Multnomah County's school-aged youth are eligible to receive services (attending other schools, drop-outs, homeless, detention). The program strives to ensure that basic physical and behavioral needs of youth are met to help them attend, participate and succeed in school.

Health care for school aged youth is a basic need, and the School-Based Health Center Program provides access to comprehensive preventive, primary, and mental healthcare for Multnomah County school-aged youth to keep them healthy and ready to learn. Without this safety net capacity many school age youth would not receive necessary health care. The 13 School-Based and School-Linked sites provide critical points of access to health care regardless of insurance status. SBHCs provide health services, and optimize students' success. This work is achieved through partnerships with schools, families, healthcare providers and community agencies.

This grant opportunity will address significant and pressing equipment needs to support the expansion of services at SBHCs. The specific equipment that the Health Department would purchase is currently being evaluated for four of the 13 sites, including Parkrose High School, Cleveland High School, Roosevelt High School, and East County School-Linked Health Center.

The decision regarding the specific equipment is pending the outcome of an interpretation of the County's procurement policy concerning capital equipment. The policy stipulates that capital purchases must meet the County's capitalization threshold, which includes all individual items totaling \$5,000 or more. However, it may be possible to "package" multiple items to meet this threshold, and this would be a significant advantage in terms of the range of equipment that could be purchased (confirmation regarding this policy is currently being researched by the Health Department's Business Services unit).

Possible types of equipment that under consideration include the following:

1. Capital equipment that may be requested under the County's capitalization threshold (items that cost \$5,000 or more each)
 - EKG Machines (\$5,200)
2. Equipment that may be requested under a packaged purchase arrangement (items costing less than \$5,000 each). The Health Department is seeking a determination through the Budget Office regarding packaging items to meet the capitalization threshold.

Miscellaneous Clinical Equipment

- Exam table (\$1,163)
- Freezer (\$800)
- Otoscope
- Refractometers
- Nebulizers
- Autoclaves/steam sterilizers
- Audiometers
- Tympanometers
- Ophthalmoscopes
- EKGs
- Crash carts

- Dental chairs
- Thermometers
- Stadiometers
- Microscopes

Miscellaneous Office Equipment

- Desktop Computer (~\$900)
- Server (~\$1,300)
- Lateral Filing Cabinet (\$180 - \$540)
- Modular workstations
- Desks
- Chairs
- Printers/scanners/faxes
- Waiting room chairs/furniture
- EHR licenses

This NOI is linked to FY2011 Program Offer #40024 (School-Based Health Centers). If awarded, the grant funding will impact this program offer by improving the capacity of School-Based Health Centers to diagnose and treat medical conditions of school aged children.

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

Funding through this grant opportunity will support the purchase of equipment for long-term use. No future funding is needed for these purchases.

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

No legal issues are anticipated, and equipment purchases will comply with County procurement policies.

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

This request was presented to the Community Health Council on July 12, 2010. The Council has approved the Health Department's recommendation to submit an application with authorization from the Board.

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, and provide a final report upon completion of the project. Funding is limited to movable capital equipment (not services).

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

This is one-time grant funding to support the purchase of moveable equipment.

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

Grant applications requesting funding through this program are due electronically on or before July 30, 2011.

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

The grant will cover one year beginning September 30, 2011.

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

This is one-time funding. However, future funding rounds are anticipated in the future.

- **Is 100% of the central and departmental indirect recovered? If not, please explain why.**

Indirect and other administrative costs are not included in the calculation of total project costs as a County policy for the purchase of capital equipment.

ATTACHMENT B

Required Signatures

**Elected Official or
Department/
Agency Director:**



Date:

Budget Analyst:



Date:
