



**MULTNOMAH COUNTY
AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST
NOTICE OF INTENT**

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APPROVED: MULTNOMAH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA # R-3 DATE 8-7-14
LYNDA GROW, BOARD CLERK

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Meeting Date: 8/7/14
Agenda Item R-3
Est. Start 9:45 a.m.
Date 7/22/14

Agenda Title: NOTICE OF INTENT to submit an application for up to \$200,000 to the Northwest Health Foundation Kaiser Permanente Community Fund

Note: This APR is for NOI's only. APRs are available for other types of submittals. Title should not be more than 2 lines but be sufficient to describe the action requested.

Requested Meeting Date: August 7, 2014 **Time Needed:** 5 min
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Presenter Name(s) & Title(s): Jessica Guernsey, Maternal and Child Health Director; Heather Heater, Health Educator; Laurel Moses, Grant Writer

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Approval for the Director of the Health Department to submit a grant application to the Northwest Health Foundation in collaboration with Kaiser Permanente Northwest for up to \$200,000.

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.

The Future Generations Collaborative (FGC) works to identify and address causes of substance-exposed pregnancies in Native communities. FGC members' experiences have made it clear that high rates of substance use are rooted social determinants of health. These include the American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) community's long history of intergenerational trauma caused by colonization, racism and a lack of prioritization of Native health and culturally-specific approaches. Continued marginalization of Native people prompted the FGC to adopt an upstream approach that aims to mitigate the complex chain of social determinants contributing to risky prenatal behaviors and adverse birth outcomes. Within these social determinants, the FGC understands that early

childhood health plays a critical role in lifelong health and effects educational, economic and social success. The work of the FGC promotes positive perinatal health for a healthy early life and childhood development to reduce long term health disparities.

Recent FGC community forums and the Gathering of Native Americans (GONA) revealed urban AI/AN frequently do not know what services exist or how to access them – even those available through AI/AN serving organizations. These forums also identified the lack indigenous perspectives and people in mainstream, white-dominated health and social systems, which is a deterrent for many women to engage in early perinatal health. These factors contribute to under utilization of medical, mental health and addictions services. The FGC aims to address these issues by building on community engagement, empowerment, and relationship building work to craft and provide trauma-informed, culturally responsive approaches to AI/AN perinatal and early childhood health.

During the proposed Northwest Health Foundation Kaiser Permanente Community Fund (NWHF KPCF) implementation project the FGC proposes to conduct a systematic approach to addressing these issues, and ultimately health disparities in the Native community. Prior to the grant period, the FGC will contract with the Multnomah County Health Department Community Capacitation Center (CCC) to train Elders and Natural Helpers (E/NH) to become Community Health Workers (CHWs) using the CCC's "We Are Health" curriculum, which has been approved by the Oregon Health Authority and qualifies participants for inclusion in Oregon's CHW registry. These trained CHWs, additional E/NH, and FGC partner organizations will work together during the implementation project period to go beyond placing CHWs in the jobs in the health landscape. The activities of this project will include identifying and engaging in health systems advocacy opportunities and partnerships in order to strategically influence local health/social services systems to use more trauma-informed models of care including the CHW model.

Through this project, the FGC aims to increase indigenous leadership, facilitate systemic change, and amplify Native voices in decision-making by further integrating AI/AN community members into the local CHW and health systems landscapes. The FGC will connect a newly trained elder and natural helper (E/NH) CHWs cohort and FGC organizations with other CHW organizations and community coalitions such as the Oregon Community Health Workers Association and the Healthy Birth Initiative to share best practices and strategize for collective impact activities that support trauma-informed care and reduction of health inequities in birth outcomes. During the project period, the FGC will work with these partners to identify strategic ways in which E/NH CHWs and FGC partner organizations can support systems and policy work that advances the CHW model and trauma informed care across Multnomah County and the state.

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

Funding is for up to \$200,000 total. Project periods can be up to two years.

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

There are no legal or policy issues involved.

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

The following government agencies, universities, and community-based organizations participate in the work of the FGC collaborative: Native American Rehabilitation Association

(NARA); Native American Youth Family Center (NAYA); NW Portland Area Indian Health Board; Multnomah County Department of Human Services; Portland State University; and Oregon Health Authority, Office of Family Planning. In addition, the FGC contains several individual members from Native communities.

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?**

The granting agency is the Northwest Health Foundation in collaboration with Kaiser Permanente Community Fund.

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

Goals: The Kaiser Permanente Community Fund (KPCF) at Northwest Health Foundation is a twelve-year, sunset fund with a mission to improve the health of communities throughout the Kaiser Permanente Northwest service region, with a specific focus on addressing the “upstream” factors that create or inhibit community health, also known as the social determinants of health.

Five guiding values inform the work of KPCF:

- Promoting social and racial equity;
- Prioritizing community-driven strategies;
- Promoting social cohesion;
- Addressing the systemic causes of health outcomes and disparities; and
- Strategically and appropriately applying the evidence base.

The guiding values help direct the work in three focus areas: early life & childhood development, educational attainment and economic opportunity. The goal of this funding stream is to improve the health of communities through these three focus areas. The FGC will address the area of early life and childhood development through the above proposed project.

There are no matching requirements. Reporting requirements include ongoing yearly reports on project progress to NWHF and a final report upon completion of grant cycle.

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

This grant is for one time only funds.

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

The application is due August 15, 2014.

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

The grant covers a project period from January 1, 2015, up to December 31, 2016.

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

When funds expire, implementation will be complete. MCHD will work with FGC partners to integrate proposed work into local Native American social service agencies and other FGC partners.

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

This grant will cover 100% of indirect costs.

Required Signatures

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

Wendy Lear for Joanne Fuller/s/

Date: 7/22/2014

Budget Analyst:

Althea Gregory /s/

Date: 7/22/2014

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