



**Request for City Council Committee Action
Health Department**

Date: June 16, 2014

To: HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT
COMMITTEE

Subject: PRESENTATION ON MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH
INITIATIVES

Recommendation:
Receive and file presentation/report.

Previous Directives: None

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Approved by: _____
Gretchen Musicant, Commissioner of Health

Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval ____ Not Applicable X
Policy Review Group (PRG) Approval ____ Date of Approval ____ Not Applicable X

Presenters in Committee: Patty Bowler, Director of Policy and Community Programs
Angela Watts, Twin Cities Healthy Start

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

X No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information).

Background/Supporting Information Attached

Minneapolis children, families and communities suffer from infant death and disability, low birth weight, adverse childhood events and barriers to early childhood quality care and education. The Minneapolis Health Department's Family and Early Childhood efforts work with community partners to create opportunities for pregnant mothers and children to be healthy and supported. MHD is making an annual investment of approximately \$9.29 million annually through contracts, direct services and staff time to achieve the goal of thriving babies and an environment where young children can thrive. The presentation will describe the initiative's approach, accomplishments and current projects, with an emphasis on strategies with potential for Council leadership.