

City of Minneapolis

Request for Committee Action

To: Health, Environment & Community Engagement
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Referral: Ways & Means
From: Health Department
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File Type: Action
Subcategory: Grant

Subject:

Grant request to the Minnesota Department of Health for Maternal Infant Early Childhood public health nursing home visiting.

Description:

Authorizing the Health Department to apply to the Minnesota Department of Health for a \$1.7 million, 3 year public health nursing home visiting grant for low income and at-risk families through the federally funded Maternal Infant Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Grant Program.

Previous Actions:

Not applicable

Ward/Address:

Not Applicable

Background/Analysis:

The Department is requesting approval to submit a grant application to the Minnesota Department of Health for 3 years of funding for public health home visiting. If funding is received, the Department will contract with MVNA to provide public health home visiting services for families using the evidence based Healthy Families America (HFA) model. Priority populations to be served include low income teen parents and their babies, families of color and American Indian families and pregnant and parenting mothers struggling with mental health challenges. Per the Perinatal Risk Assessment (administered to every pregnant woman receiving public health home visiting services), 50% of the current public health nurse caseload has indicated a mental health issue.

HFA enrollment begins prenatally or at birth and the nurse stays with the family until the child is 3-5 years old. The Department currently receives two MIECHV grants which will end September, 2016 and February, 2017 respectively. This funding stream will enable the department to retain grant funding to serve high risk families using the HFA model.

Financial Review:

No financial impact.