



**Request for City Council Committee Action
From the Department of Health & Family Support**

Date: June 22, 2011

To: PUBLIC SAFETY, CIVIL RIGHTS & HEALTH COMMITTEE
Referral to: WAYS & MEANS/BUDGET COMMITTEE

Subject: CONTRACT WITH NEXTGEN HEALTHCARE INFORMATION SYSTEMS, INC. FOR ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS SYSTEM

Recommendation:

Council authorization to enter into a five year agreement with NextGen Healthcare Information Systems, Inc. to purchase a license to use their electronic health record and practice management systems and on-going maintenance and support, for an amount not to exceed \$350,000 from 01600-8600152.

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: Gretchen Musicant, Commissioner of Health

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

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

Background/Supporting Information Attached

All health care providers are mandated to provide e-Prescriptions by 2011 and effective use of electronic health records by no later than 2015, including the department's School Based Clinic (SBC) program. The clinics provide a variety of services to teens at six locations in Minneapolis Public High Schools, and their lack of connection with a larger health care network created challenges to meet these deadlines. Additionally, the specialized services provided by the SBCs and the unique needs of teens place them outside the mainstream, and there were no off-the-shelf products to meet their health information technology (HIT) needs. SBC staff, in consultation with BIS, collaborated with other similar type clinics throughout the metro and contracted with an independent consultant to identify the current state of technology, clinic processes, unique challenges, resources and technology requirements. As a result of a PRC approved RFP process to identify potential vendors, SBC staff have selected NextGen as the provider best suited to meet the needs of the SBC program at the most reasonable cost. The SBC anticipates it will adopt, implement and demonstrate meaningful use of this certified EHR system and may be eligible to receive federal provider EHR incentive payments over five years up to \$330,000.

