



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

Date: June 9, 2008

To: HEALTH, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
Referral to: WAYS & MEANS/BUDGET COMMITTEE

Subject: AUTHORIZATION TO CONTRACT WITH HENNEPIN COUNTY TO RECEIVE FUNDING FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR LATINO STUDENTS THE SCHOOL BASED CLINIC PROGRAM

Recommendation:

Council authorization for the proper City officials to:

1. contract with Hennepin County to accept an estimated revenue of \$81,000 in Local Collaborative Time Study funds for mental health services at the School Based Clinics, and
2. increase both the revenue budget in fund/dept 01600-8600152 (revenue code 322002) and the 2008 appropriation in fund/dept 01600-8600152 by \$81,000.

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: Kathleen O'Brien, Mental Health Counseling Supervisor, School Based Clinic Program

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

X Action requires an appropriation increase to the ____ Capital Budget or X Operating Budget.

X Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase.

Background/Supporting Information Attached

The Department's School Based Clinic program has been awarded \$81,000 from the Children's Mental Health Collaborative of Hennepin County to provide mental health services to Latino students served through the School Based Clinic program, with a particular focus on adolescent males. This is a three year project that will include contracting with an individual or community agency for a Spanish speaking/bicultural licensed mental health therapist. This person will help expand the School Based Clinic's mental health services to meet the gap in Spanish speaking therapists. The licensed therapist will work close to half time offering individual and group counseling services to Latino students and their families at Roosevelt High School. Roosevelt has seen a rise in the Latino student population in the past few years and this grant helps to meet the need of a specific language therapist for this population.