



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

Date: July 20, 2009

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

Subject: ACCEPT DONATED CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE SCHOOL
BASED CLINIC PROGRAM TO INITIATE PLANNING FOR
ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS

Recommendation:

Council authorization for the proper City officials to accept donated consulting services from Philip Deering of Philip Deering Consulting to assist the School Based Clinic program to determine how it will meet mandates for electronic prescribing and health records.

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: Coral Garner, Director of Community and Public Health Initiatives

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

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

Background/Supporting Information Attached

Minneapolis Department of Health and Family Support School Based Clinics is evaluating its current work processes and operations to determine how it will meet state and federal mandates for electronic prescribing by 2011 and interoperable electronic health records by 2015 (Minnesota Statutes, Section 62J.495-497; Pub.L. No. 108-173; American Recovery and Reinvestment Act 2009). Philip Deering of Philip Deering Consulting proposes working with the Minneapolis Department of Health and Family Support School Based Clinics (SBC) to provide the following services:

- Conduct an assessment of current work processes and technology infrastructure; and identify challenges and unique needs.
- Work with SBC team, BIS, and other key stakeholders on reviewing state and federal mandates and HIPAA requirements, and identifying requirements for technology that will meet our needs.
- Identify available options for MDHFS to consider, and
- Assist SBC with developing an implementation plan.