

Legislation Text

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<u>BACKGROUND</u>: This ordinance authorizes the Board of Health to enter into a contract with Access Health Columbus, a not-forprofit agency. Access Health Columbus, a broad based, community partnership designed to assure access to health care for vulnerable persons in Franklin County, will expand primary care/medical home capacity by providing access to affordable health care services for low-income residents in medically under-served areas of Franklin County.

Access Health Columbus (Contract Compliance No. 510426050) is a nonprofit organization and is exempt from certification.

Emergency action is requested to avoid delays in the implementation of these services.

FISCAL IMPACT: Monies for this contract were made available in the 2011 budget for the Health Special Revenue Fund.

To authorize the Board of Health to enter into a contract with Access Health Columbus for primary care services; to authorize the expenditure of \$25,000.00 from the Health Special Revenue Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$25,000.00)

WHEREAS, the Board of Health has a need to expand primary care services for residents in medically under-served areas; and,

WHEREAS, Access Health Columbus has the necessary experience and expertise to provide said services; and,

WHEREAS, this contract will provide funding to Access Health Columbus for an expansion of primary care services for residents in medically under-served areas; and,

WHEREAS, emergency action is requested to avoid delays in the implementation of needed services; and,

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Health Department in that it is immediately necessary to contract with Access Health Columbus for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare; Now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

SECTION 1. That the Board of Health is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a contract with Access Health Columbus for an expansion of primary care services for residents in medically under-served areas, for the period April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00.

SECTION 2. That to pay the costs of said contract, the expenditure of \$25,000 is hereby authorized from the Health Special Revenue Fund, Fund No. 250, Department of Health, Division No. 50-01, Object Level One 03, Object Level Three 3337, OCA Code 500207.

SECTION 3. This contract was awarded according to provisions of Section 329.15 of the Columbus City Code.

SECTION 4. That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.