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Title:	To authorize the Board of Health to enter into a contract with The Ohio State University for Sexually Transmitted Infection Surveillance Network (SSuN) Grant Program for the provision of services allowable under the grant for persons receiving STI services; to authorize the expenditure of $85,537.00 from the Health Department Grants Fund to pay the costs thereof; and to declare an emergency. ($85,537.00)		
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11/3/2025	1	Columbus City Council	Approved	Pass

BACKGROUND:

This ordinance authorizes the Board of Health to enter into an initial contract with qualified vendor, The Ohio State University. The Ohio State University will be funded for the delivery of Sexually Transmitted Infection Surveillance Network (SSuN) services. These services include, but are not limited to providing enhanced behavioral, demographic, and clinical information on gonorrhea cases reported to state and local health departments. This information will allow CDC, as well as state and local health departments, to better understand the epidemiology of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) and to inform national and local STI prevention efforts. This ordinance is contingent on the passing of Ordinance 2598-2025.

The contract period is from September 30, 2025 through September 29, 2026, in an amount not to exceed $85,537.00. The Ohio State University is operating as a not for profit government agency and is exempt from bidding according to bidding requirements of the City Code 329.30. This vendor has an ancillary data analysis team specific for this project that is currently operating. The price point for all services included in this contract are determined by a line-item budget for each of the service areas that are included within this contract.

The Ohio State University CC-006163: $85,537.00

Emergency action is required to ensure the continued operation of the Sexually Transmitted Infection Surveillance Network (SSuN) grant program. This is necessary to meet grant deliverables required by grantor and avoid risk of forfeiture of future funds.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This contract is funded entirely by a grant award from the Sexually Transmitted Infection Surveillance Network (SSuN) Grant Program and is contingent on grant acceptance via Ordinance 2598-2025. This grant does not generate revenue nor require a city match.

To authorize the Board of Health to enter into a contract with The Ohio State University for Sexually Transmitted Infection Surveillance Network (SSuN) Grant Program for the provision of services allowable under the grant for persons receiving STI services; to authorize the expenditure of $85,537.00 from the Health Department Grants Fund to pay the costs thereof; and to declare an emergency. ($85,537.00)

WHEREAS, Columbus Public Health has received funding from The Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)**.**

WHEREAS, in order to ensure continued services provisions under the program, it is necessary to enter into a contract with qualified vendor The Ohio State University; and

WHEREAS, the contract period is September 30, 2025 through September 29, 2026; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of Columbus Public Health in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Board to enter into a contract with qualified vendors The Ohio State University to avoid the forfeiture of grant funding and to ensure the continued operation of the HIV Prevention grant program, all for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety and welfare, and **NOW, THEREFORE**,

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

SECTION 1. That the Board of Health is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with The Ohio State University for allowable services under the Sexually Transmitted Infection Surveillance Network (SSuN) grant program, for the period of September 30, 2025 through September 29, 2026.

SECTION 2. That to pay the cost of said contract, the expenditure of $85,537.00 is hereby authorized from the Health Department Grants Fund, Fund No. 2251, Department No. 50, Division 5001, per the accounting codes attached to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 4. That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.

SECTION 5. That for reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby 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.

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