



## Legislation Text

**File #:** 0243-2008, **Version:** 1

**BACKGROUND:** The Columbus Health Department operates the Ben Franklin Tuberculosis Clinic under a grant awarded from the Franklin County Board of Commissioners. In order to effectively manage patients with latent and active Tuberculosis, it is necessary to provide specialized physician services. The Medical Director of the Health Department contacted area physicians specializing in Infectious Disease and/or Pulmonary medicine, expressing a need for these specialized services in the TB Clinic. OSU Hospitals responded and can provide physicians who meet the special criteria. Formal bids were not solicited, therefore, this ordinance waives competitive bidding provisions. This ordinance authorizes the Board of Health to enter into a contract with The Ohio State University - Division of Infectious Disease and Internal Medicine, acting through its practice plan, OSU Internal Medicine, LLC, in the amount of \$60,000 for the period through December 31, 2008. The contractor's contract compliance number is 311369596, however, this contractor is a nonprofit organization and is exempt from certification.

Emergency action is requested in order to provide continued specialized physician services for patients of the Tuberculosis Clinic.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** \$60,000 is budgeted in the Health Department Grants Fund for physician services for the T.B. Clinic. Franklin County will reimburse all expenses under this contract.

To authorize the Board of Health to enter into a contract with The Ohio State University - Division of Infectious Disease and Internal Medicine, acting through its practice plan, OSU Internal Medicine, LLC, for physician services for the Ben Franklin Tuberculosis Clinic, to authorize the expenditure of \$60,000 from the Health Department Grants Fund to pay the costs thereof, to waive provisions of competitive bidding, and to declare an emergency. (\$60,000)

**WHEREAS,** the Health Department has a need for specialized physician services to manage patients of the Tuberculosis Clinic; and,

**WHEREAS,** The Ohio State University - Division of Infectious Disease and Internal Medicine, acting through its practice plan, OSU Internal Medicine, LLC, can provide physicians who have the expertise required to manage patients of the Tuberculosis Clinic; and,

**WHEREAS,** this ordinance is submitted as an emergency in order to ensure continuity of services for patients of the TB Clinic; and,

**WHEREAS,** an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Columbus Health Department in that it is immediately necessary to contract with The Ohio State University - Division of Infectious Disease and Internal Medicine, acting through its practice plan, OSU Internal Medicine, LLC, for specialized physician services 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 The Ohio State University - Division of Infectious Disease and Internal Medicine, acting through its practice plan, OSU Internal Medicine, LLC, for physician services for the Ben Franklin Tuberculosis Clinic for the period through December 31, 2008.

**SECTION 2.** That to pay the costs of said contract, the expenditure of \$60,000 is hereby authorized from the Health Department Grants Fund, Fund No. 251, Department of Health, Division No. 50-01 as follows:

Tuberculosis Prevention and Control Grant

OCA: 504055 Grant: 504055 Obj. Level 01: 03 Obj. Level 03:3418 Amount: \$60,000.

**SECTION 3.** That the provisions of Section 329.14 of the Columbus City Code are hereby waived. See attachment: waiverOSUphy08.doc.

**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.