

Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: Columbus Public Health provides TB skin testing for patients of the Ben Franklin Tuberculosis Control program. The Health Department uses the Quantiferon Blood Assay (QFT) screening test to screen patients for Tuberculosis. Qiagen, Inc., is the sole supplier of the QFT blood test kits in the United States. This ordinance authorizes the Director of Finance and Management to establish a purchase order with Qiagen, Inc., for QFT blood test kits in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00.

Qiagen, Inc.'s contract compliance number is 954141306, which is effective through April 16, 2015.

Emergency action is requested to ensure a sufficient supply of TB screening test kits for patients.

FISCAL IMPACT: All expenditures from this contract will be fully reimbursed from funds in the TB Prevention/Control Special Purpose Fund.

To authorize the Director of Finance and Management to establish a purchase order with Qiagen, Inc., for the purchase of Quantiferon Blood Assay (QFT) screening test kits for Columbus Public Health's Ben Franklin Tuberculosis Control Program, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the City Code related to sole source procurement; to authorize the expenditure of \$25,000.00 from the TB Prevention/Control Special Purpose Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$25,000.00)

WHEREAS, Columbus Public Health provides TB screening tests for patients of the Ben Franklin Tuberculosis Control Program; and,

WHEREAS, Columbus Public Health is in need of the Quantiferon Blood Assay (QFT) screening test kits to provide TB tests; and,

WHEREAS, Qiagen, Inc., is the sole supplier of the QFT blood test kits; and,

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of Columbus Public Health in that it is immediately necessary to establish a purchase order with Qiagen, Inc., to ensure a sufficient supply of TB screening test kits, all 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 Director of Finance and Management is hereby authorized to establish a purchase order with Qiagen, Inc. for the purchase of QFT screening test kits for the Ben Franklin Tuberculosis Clinic through March 31, 2016.

SECTION 2. That the total expenditure of \$25,000.00 is hereby authorized from the TB Prevention/Control Special Purpose Fund, Fund 223, Subfund 039, Department of Health, Division No. 50-01, OCA Code 223039, Object Level One 02, Object Level Three 2293.

SECTION 3. That this purchase is being made in accordance with the relevant provisions of City Code Chapter 329 relating to sole source procurement.

SECTION 4. 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 5. That for the 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.