



Board Agenda Item 70

DATE: June 18, 2024

TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBMITTED BY: David Luchini, RN, PHN, Director, Department of Public Health

SUBJECT: Approve and Accept California Department of Public Health's Approval of the Budget Revision for the Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health and Black Infant Health Program

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):

Authorize the Chairman to approve and accept California Department of Public Health's approval of the budget revision for the Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health and Black Infant Health programs, with no change to the term of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 and increasing the maximum allocation by \$169,200 to a total of \$9,968,174.

There are no additional Net County Costs associated with the recommended action. Approval of the recommended action will provide the Department of Public Health (Department) with additional funding from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) for the Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health (MCAH) and Black Infant Health (BIH) programs. The budget revision increases the funding to support additional operational and subcontract costs. The programs provide outreach, home visitation, health education, and linkage to community resources for pregnant and parenting women and their families. This item is countywide.

ALTERNATIVE ACTION(S):

There are no viable alternative actions. Should your Board not approve the recommended action, the budget revision will not be accepted, and the Department would have to leverage additional Health Realignment dollars for the additional operational and subcontract costs.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no increase in Net County Cost associated with the recommended action. CDPH previously approved a non-competitive allocation (\$4,923,990) to the County for the MCAH and BIH programs. The approved budget revision increases MCAH Federal Financial Participation (FFP) Title XIX by \$27,950 and BIH State General Fund (SGF) by \$141,250, to a total of \$169,200. MCAH uses local funding (\$4,874,984) as a local match to draw down FFP Title XIX funds.

The local match (\$4,874,984) includes funding from:

- Children and Families Commission of Fresno County (\$1,711,667),
- Fresno County Superintendent of Schools (\$300,000),
- Department of Behavioral Health (\$273,844),
- Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Babies First (\$995,000),
- Health Realignment (\$1,594,473).

The Department's indirect cost rate of 18.314% will be fully covered with the above-mentioned resources. Sufficient appropriations and estimated revenues were included in the Department's Org 5620 FY 2023-24 Adopted Budget.

DISCUSSION:

For over three decades, CDPH funding has supported the Department's MCAH and BIH programs in providing outreach, home visitation, health education and linkage to community resources for pregnant and parenting women and their families. Some of these programs include Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP), Sudden-Infant Death Syndrome/Fetal-Infant Mortality Review (FIMR), Child Care Health Linkages (CCHL), Nurse Liaison, High-Risk Infant Program (HRIP), Comprehensive Perinatal Services Program (CPSP), Community Health Teams (CHT) and Babies First. The recommended action will accept continued funding for staff salaries and benefits, operational expenses, subcontracts, and indirect costs for the MCAH and BIH programs to continue their work towards:

- reducing infant mortality;
- improving the health and safety of children attending childcare programs;
- reducing maternal morbidity and mortality;
- supporting the physical and cognitive development of children;
- promoting exclusive breastfeeding; and,
- optimizing the health and well-being of the client populations across their life span.

In FY 2022-23, these programs continued to provide a wide range of services to the community. Nurse Liaison provided case management services to 182 pregnant/parenting teens, high-risk children, and their families. The NFP program served 294 pregnant and parenting women, helped 94% of women initiate breastfeeding after birth and ensured 75% of infants served were current on immunizations at 12 months of age. CHT provided intensive home visitation services using research-based models and curriculum to 254 families with children 0-5. The CCHL program provided health/safety consultation and training to 273 child care providers. The SIDS program disseminated guidelines on infant sleep and SIDS risk reduction to 137 medical providers and 239 community members through community presentations. Ongoing grief support was provided to 15 SIDS families. The FIMR program established the Case Review Team (CRT) consisting of community providers, advocates, physicians, and nurses from local hospitals and neonatal intensive care units. There were 4 CRT meetings held and 12 FIMR cases reviewed in the last fiscal year. The BIH program served 144 women through an 18-group series, with 72 women served through the Group/Life Planning Model and 72 women served through the Case Management Only Model.

Approval of the recommended action will approve and accept CDPH's approval of the budget revision for the MCAH and BIH program to support additional operation and subcontract costs.

REFERENCE MATERIAL:

BAI #45, October 24, 2023
BAI #33, November 6, 2022
BAI #49, November 16, 2021
BAI #36, November 3, 2020

ATTACHMENTS INCLUDED AND/OR ON FILE:

On file with Clerk - CDPH Approval of MCAH and BIH Budget Revision #202310

CAO ANALYST:

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