



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: December 8, 2021

SUBJECT: Discussion of Board Approval of FTE for Deschutes County Public Health's Clinical Services Nurse Practitioner

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

No motion at this time.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The Reproductive Health Clinics in the Public Health Clinical Services Program requests to increase a vacant 0.5 Full-time Equivalent (FTE) regular Nurse Practitioner (position #2626) to 1.0 FTE. Meeting the clinical needs at multiple locations with a 0.5 FTE Nurse Practitioner is challenging and this vacancy provides the opportunity to maximize capacity and flexibility. Increasing Nurse Practitioner hours directly impacts Public Health's ability to provide needed services to the community and will allow more robust access to in-person clinical services.

The funding to do so will come from the following sources:

The HIV Early Intervention and Outreach Services (EISO)-- pre-approved 0.2 FTE Nurse Practitioner starting 1/1/2022 and ongoing (see included email).

- a. This is a five-year grant program within Deschutes County Public Health through Oregon Health Authority (OHA), anticipated to continue as ongoing program element funds.
- b. The work of this grant includes specialized clinical services to high-risk individuals living with HIV or for the prevention of HIV.

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration System of Care Expansion (SoC) grant with Behavioral Health Comprehensive Care for Youth and Families program-- pre-approved 0.3 FTE Nurse Practitioner starting 1/1/2022 through 8/31/2022 (see included

approval). Starting 9/1/2022 funding will be from existing the Central Oregon Health Council's Quality Improvement Measures program.

- a. Behavioral Health-Public Health partnership will expand on the grant's goal that "children, youth and young adults served will experience improved behavioral and physical health and functioning."
- b. Required activities of this grant include "care coordination, including with primary care providers and wellness programs such as smoking cessation and healthy lifestyle education."

If the Board is in support of the additional 0.5 FTE, a resolution and budget adjustment will be placed on the next available consent agenda for approval.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

Increase of 0.5 FTE in Health Services Fund will result in an additional FY 2022 cost of \$3,602. For subsequent years and funding sources, please see the attached five-year fiscal analysis.

ATTENDANCE:

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