



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: November 3, 2021

SUBJECT: Discussion of increasing FTE for Deschutes County Public Health's Early Intervention and Outreach Services Program

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

No motion at this time.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The Early Intervention and Outreach Services (EISO) is a five-year grant program within Deschutes County Public Health and is funded through the Oregon Health Authority (OHA). The program supports STD/HIV disease intervention services, increased STD/HIV testing, health literacy/education, prevention activities and access and linkage to care in the tri-county area. The program operates on a calendar-year (CY) basis and runs through December 31, 2022.

The EISO program is requesting the addition of 1.0 full-time equivalent (FTE) Management (Data) Analysis through the remainder of the grant cycle December 31, 2022, and then through continued funding from OHA. The position will standardize data collection, provide quality assurance and help set priorities for prevention and care services. They will provide an epidemiological profile of HIV and STDs in Central Oregon and develop a Tableau platform for the webpage. This position will create a cluster and outbreak detection and response plan to help identify gaps and communities at higher risk.

Funding to support the position will come from unspent funds from CY4, and the position has been added to the year 5 EISO budget (CY22). OHA will continue funding the EISO programming, including all staff, beyond December 31, 2022 as demonstrated in the attached email. As a result, the FTE is requested to be approved as regular.

The CY22 EISO budget has been submitted to OHA and is included as an attachment. When the contract amendment is received a budget adjustment for fiscal year 2022 will be placed on the consent agenda for BOCC approval. The resolution authorizing the FTE will be

placed on a forthcoming consent agenda.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

Increase of 1.0 regular FTE Management Analyst in the Health Services Fund with a start date of December 1, 2021. A corresponding increase in appropriation to fiscal year 2022 in the amount of \$57,774. Resolution and budget adjustment are forthcoming.

ATTENDANCE:

Kathy Christenson, Health Services Supervisor, Advancement and Protections
Amber Knapp, STD/HIV Public Health Nurse II, Advancement and Protections