



COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: November 5, 2024

ITEM TITLE, PRESENTER: Approval of the interlocal agreement for E-Cigarette, Tobacco & Other Drug Prevention between San Juan County and the Hozho 'go Iina 365 Program of the Utah Navajo Health System Amendment #1, presented by Rebecca Benally, Health Promotion Director

RECOMMENDATION: Approval

SUMMARY

San Juan County Public Health Department sought applications from local organizations focused on or able to provide evidence-based programs that are focused on substance abuse prevention, specifically related to E-cigarette, tobacco, and other drug prevention. Applications included an organizational description, the community to be served, a problem statement, a plan for activities, an intervention or evidence-based/promising practice, objectives, strategies, and a budget. Applications were scored across these previous categories and then chosen based on the scoring results.

Hozho 'go Iina 365 was chosen again to continue its efforts to educate youth among the schools of the River Region of the San Juan School District. These activities will include the following: Disseminate information/education. Enhance individual life skills. Provide activities that reduce risk factors or enhance protective factors. Enhance community/participant access or reduce barriers to programs and strategies. Changing consequences by addressing incentives or disincentives. Implement environmental strategies to reduce risk factors and increase protective factors. Support modification to policies or the implementation of new policies. Continue to provide education and awareness to our youth and parents regarding the risks associated with vaping, alcohol consumption, and drug use. Educating parents on the nature of vaping and the various forms in which vaping devices may appear.

- Continue to educate all students and parents through activities that can help build healthy and trusting relationships.

- Prepare students to confidently say "No" when faced with drugs, alcohol, or vaping. To decrease the favorable attitude and reduce the usage of vaping, smoking, or use of recreational drugs through education.

- Give our children healthy outlets rather than using drugs, alcohol, or vaping.

FISCAL IMPACT

\$25,000 in Tobacco Prevention and Control (SB37) funds provided to San Juan County Public Health will be passed on to the Hozho 'go Iina 365 Program of the Utah Navajo Health System for activities to be completed by June 30, 2024.