

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 38115 Agenda Number 45.

Meeting Date: 12/11/2014 Department: Health and Human Services

Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES to provide an oversampling in Travis County for the Texas Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System to increase the phone survey from 320 to 1,300 Travis County residents for the 2015 survey initiative in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 for the term of November 1, 2014 through September 1, 2016.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$100,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2014-15, 1115 Medicaid Waiver budget. Funding for the remaining contract period is contingent on successful contract performance and available funding in future 1115 Medicaid Waiver budgets.

Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	On September 9, 2014, Council approved the Fiscal Year 2014-15 Health and Human Services Department Operating Budget, Special Revenue Fund Ordinance No. 20140909-001.
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Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

The Texas Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) is an annual random-digit-dial telephone survey of adults residing in Texas conducted by the Department of State Health Services (DSHS). The survey provides statewide estimates on a variety of behavioral risk factors, including smoking prevalence and other indicators of tobacco use. The statewide survey will include about 10,000 respondents in 2015, 320 of which are in Travis County (the proportion of sampled Texas residents who live in Travis County). With a geographic oversample of Travis County, the number of county residents who are surveyed increases from 320 to about 1300. The substantially larger sample size will provide more stable local estimates of prevalence of these risky behaviors, particularly by demographic characteristics, such as gender, age, race/ethnicity, and socioeconomic status. These estimates will be used to track local trends over time (from previous BRFSS Travis County oversamples) as well as to compare with state and national estimates. DSHS is not currently planning to oversample in Travis County. Funds are available in the Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) 1115 Waiver Budget. The BRFSS results

are also needed to fulfill a deliverable for an existing Delivery System Reform Incentive Payments project authorized by Medicaid 1115 Waiver for decreasing tobacco use among the 18-24 year old population.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Related Department Goal: Promote a healthy community by preventing chronic and communicable diseases and promoting improvements in social/economic/environmental factors that will result in an improved overall health status and a reduction of health disparities.

The performance goals described are estimates and may be adjusted in scope and deadline as appropriate.

Deliverables:

- 1. Submit invoices on a quarterly basis for completed work, submitting all required forms with documentation of work completed.
- 2. Finalize sampling design plan that includes Travis County Oversample by 12/31/2014.
- 3. Administer BRFSS in Travis County from January 1, 2015 December 31, 2015.
- 4. Submit completed 2015 BRFSS survey results data file to HHSD by July 2016.