

# **Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council Item ID 62731 Agenda Number 17.

Meeting Date: 9/22/2016 Department: Health and Human Services

## Subject

Approve negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with the University of Texas at Austin to evaluate the youth and young adult programming under the Peer-to-Peer Project in high schools, community centers and organizations, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$60,000.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$60,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Operating Budget for the Health and Human Services Department.

#### Fiscal Note

### A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	On September 8, 2015, Council approved Ordinance No. 20150908-001 adopting the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Operating Budget. On August 2, 2012, Council approved a Resolution (Resolution No. 20120802-029) supporting participation in the Federal 1115 Medicaid Waiver Program.
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## Additional Backup Information

On August 2, 2012 City Council passed Resolution No. 20120802-029 supporting participation in the Federal 1115 Medicaid Waiver Program (1115 Waiver). In October 2013, the City's Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) submitted an application for a three-year Medicaid 1115 Waiver expansion project with Central Health in response to the directive in Resolution No. 20120802-029. This expansion project included Peer-to-Peer (P2P), which enhances the City's existing healthy equity strategies by providing health education services to youth and young adults at elevated risk of teen pregnancy, a repeat teen birth and/or HIV/STD. Youth and young adults enrolled in health education services and have experienced chronic homelessness, teen or unplanned pregnancy, and co-occurring psychiatric conditions, substance abuse and/or chronic medical conditions may receive an individual health plan and access to care. In May 2016, the Health and Human Services Commission announced a 15-month extension of all 1115 Waiver projects beyond the original end date of September 30, 2016.

As part of their proposed program evaluation, 1115 Waiver has required a "stretch activity," which are activities intended to improve data infrastructure and capacity. 1115 Waiver requires P2P to conduct an evaluation of services in order to gain an assessment of the efficacy and effectiveness of the P2P Project. The formative and summative evaluation of the project to be conducted by a contractor, such as the University of Texas at Austin, will allow the satisfaction of grant requirements.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

Output:

Number of development encounters for youth 10-24 (leadership, health decision making, and sexual education) 2300

Related Departmental Goal Provision: Improve maternal, child, and adolescent health outcomes.