# APPROVE EXERCISING THE FIRST OPTION TO RENEW THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF CHICAGO FOR SERVICES RELATING TO THE EDUCATION AND SCREENING FOR THE SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS PROJECT

## THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve exercising the first option to renew the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with The City of Chicago to provide school-based education, testing, treatment and referrals ("Services") relating to the Sexually Transmitted Infections ("STI") Project ("Project") to Chicago Public School students in designated grades through the Chicago Department of Public Health ("CDPH") at no cost to the Board. A written agreement exercising this option is currently being negotiated. The authority granted herein shall automatically rescind in the event a written option agreement is not executed within 120 days of the date of this Board Report. Information pertinent to this option agreement is stated below.

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**PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:** According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") there are 19 million sexually transmitted infections reported each year. Cook County, Illinois ranks first among all counties in the United States for reported cases of gonorrhea and second for the reported cases of chlamydia, with the majority of the burden of disease occurring among teens and adolescents. The majority of the STI cases were reported among adolescents aged 13-24 years in Chicago. These infections can progress to serious reproductive and other health problems with both short-term and long-term consequences. The goal of this project is to reduce the transmission of sexually transmitted infections among Chicago adolescents. The Sexually Transmitted Infections Project was authorized on June 24, 2009 and an agreement was executed on June 7, 2010 between the Chicago Department of Public Health ("CDPH") and the Board to offer prevention education, urine-based testing for gonorrhea and Chlamydia, treatment and referrals for high school students.

The Board will inform students' parents and legal guardians about the Project by letter and upon request through Local School Council ("LSC") meetings held prior to implementing the Project activities within their child's school. The Services will consist of CDPH providing school-based education, testing for gonorrhea and Chlamydia, treatment and referrals.

Services will be provided at no charge to the Board or to CPS students or their families.

**ORIGINAL AGREEMENT:** The original agreement (authorized by Board Report (09-0624-ED18) is for a term commencing on the date the agreement was signed and shall end three (3) years thereafter, with the Board having three (3) options to renew for periods of one (1) year each. The original Board Report is being amended at the April 2012 Board meeting to change the option periods from one-year periods to three year periods.

**OPTION PERIOD:** The first option to renew is being exercised for a renewal term of three (3) years commencing June 7, 2012 and ending June 6, 2015.

**OPTION PERIODS REMAINING:** There are two (2) additional option periods of three (3) years each remaining.

## **RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARTIES:**

- A. CDPH and Health Provider Responsibilities shall include the following:
  - a. Collaborate with CPS to identify participating schools;
  - b. Meet with school administration and upon request conduct parent and staff informational meetings prior to commencing Project activities at each participating school:
  - c. Work with CPS to ensure that each school has a written plan that details the following:
    - i. Date of Project commencement;
    - ii. Date scheduled for the LSC meeting where LSC members and students' parents/guardians will be informed about the Project as requested;
    - iii. Date that the parent/guardian letters will be sent home;
    - iv. Grade levels and number of students enrolled;
    - v. Designated CPS site leader:
    - vi. Site logistics including bathrooms and other space needs,
    - vii. Date that CDPH or Health Provider will provide testing results;
    - viii. Information concerning CDPH staff and subcontractors providing STI testing and treatment, if any, and the date and location where treatment will be dispensed;
  - d. Recruit and subcontract with individuals who are certified to provide STI testing in the State of Illinois, and provide certificate numbers and other information for these individuals:
    - Ensure that all staff and subcontractors assigned to provide Project services in a CPS school are free from tuberculosis and agree to submit to fingerprint based background checks conducted by the Board's agent;
  - e. Recruit and subcontract with healthcare providers who are licensed to practice in the State of Illinois ("Healthcare Providers") and provide license number and other information for these individuals;
    - Ensure that all staff and subcontractors assigned to provide Project services in a CPS school are free from tuberculosis and agree to submit to fingerprint based background checks conducted by the Board's agent;
    - ii. Submit proof (i.e. Certificate of Insurance) documenting that the Commercial General Liability Insurance requirement has been completed and that the Board of Education has been named as an additional insured; and
    - iii. Submit proof of the provider's Certificate of Professional Liability Insurance;
  - f. Supply all materials necessary to execute the Project including supplying a testing kit for each participating student. Each testing kit will be presented in a brown bag that will contain the following items: a specimen collection consent form, student contact form, a urine specimen cup, and educational information on STI and other public health services.
  - g. Print and deliver to the Board the required patient consent forms and HIPAA authorization forms.
  - h. Provide a 20-30 minute educational session to students prior to their participation in the Project;
  - Staff a telephone line for a specified period of time that will be utilized to provide test results to students and referrals for treatment, if needed; and
  - Supply all necessary treatment medication at no cost to the CPS, the student or parent.
  - k. Submit a monthly electronic program report in a format as mutually agreed upon between the Board and CDPH.

- B. Board Responsibilities shall include the following:
  - a. Promote the Project and CDPH services to CPS principals and staff by advertising the Project, distributing Project Guidelines, instructional materials, and other information regarding the available CDPH Project services;
  - b. Give school principals specific information on how their school and students can participate in the Project;
  - Provide Program promotional materials, student instructions, parent and LSC letters; and
  - d. Provide space for Project activities within the participating schools, and appropriate supervision of participating students during onsite screenings as mutually agreed upon between the Board and CDPH.

## CONTRIBUTION: No cost to the Board.

**AUTHORIZATION:** Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written renewal agreement. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the renewal agreement. Authorize the Chief Health Officer to execute all ancillary documents required to administer or effectuate this renewal agreement.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Pursuant to Section 5.2.4 of the Remedial Program for Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise Participation in Goods and Services Contracts, this intergovernmental agreement is exempt from MBE/WBE review.

LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: Not applicable.

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

Inspector General – Each party to the agreement shall acknowledge that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Conflicts – The agreement shall not be legally binding on the Board if entered into in violation of the provisions of 105 ILCS 5/34-21.3 which restricts the employment of or the letting of contracts to, former Board members during the one year period following expiration or other termination of their terms of office.

Indebtedness – The Board's Indebtedness Policy adopted June 26, 1996 (96-0626-PO3), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Ethics – The Board's Ethics Code adopted May 25, 2011 (11-0525-PO2), as amended from time to time, shall be incorporated into and made a part of the agreement.

Contingent Liability – The agreement shall contain the clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is deemed a contingent liability, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year budget(s).

**Approved for Consideration:** 

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Chief Education Officer (

Within Appropriation:

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Approved as to legal form:

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