



Request to Approve DCHD Acceptance of funding allocations received after the March 2025 Board Meeting

Staff recommends that your board approve our acceptance of funding for programs beginning on June 1, July 1, and October 1, 2025. The total funding for this request is \$3,101,673.



MEETING DATE: June 12th, 2025

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Michael Hill, Director, Public Health

DESCRIPTION: Child Fatality Prevention System

Contract Number: CT FHLA 2023*3035

Contract Period: 7/1/25-6/30/26

Funding amount: \$15,500

SUMMARY: Project Description This project serves to support the Child Fatality Prevention Act (Article 20I 5 of Title 25, Colorado Revised Statutes), which is a statewide, multi-agency effort to prevent child deaths. Pursuant to CI RI S I § 25 -20I 5 -404-405, local public health agencies, or agencies designated by local public health agencies, are required to establish, and coordinate multidisciplinary, local child fatality prevention review teams (local teams). The purpose of the local team is to conduct systematic, comprehensive, multidisciplinary reviews of child deaths to better understand how and why children die. The child fatality review process uses a public health approach to identify trends and patterns, to take action, to improve systems, and to implement strategies that may prevent future deaths from occurring. This project benefits the State of Colorado by helping the people of Colorado understand the incidence and causes of child fatalities and therefore encourage public action to prevent further child fatalities. Additionally, the project benefits the State of Colorado by identifying services provided by public, private, and nonprofit agencies to children and their families that are designed to prevent, and that are effective in preventing, child fatalities identifying gaps or deficiencies that may exist in the delivery of services provided by public, private, and nonprofit agencies to children and their families that are designed to prevent child fatalities and making recommendations for, act as a catalyst for, and implement any changes to laws, rules, and policies that will support the safe and healthy development of the children in this state and prevent future child fatalities.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Request that the Board approve acceptance of the SFY 2026 Child Fatality Prevention Funding Award.



MEETING DATE: June 12th, 2025

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Michael Hill, Director, Public Health

DESCRIPTION: E470 Transportation Safety Grant

Contract Number: N/A

Contract Period: 7/1/25 - 6/30/26

Funding amount: \$2,500

SUMMARY:

The Douglas County Health Department (DCHD) has been awarded funding to support its Maternal and Child Health Program in addressing a growing community need for child car seats. The demand for car seats has increased significantly, highlighting a critical gap that directly affects the safety and well-being of infants, children, and their families throughout the County. With these funds, DCHD will purchase car seats to distribute to families in need, as identified through referrals from community partners and the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program. In addition to distributing car seats, DCHD will strengthen community outreach by providing Child Passenger Safety education and partnering to provide Car Seat Safety checks at a family-focused event in September. The goal is to improve child passenger safety, reduce preventable injuries, and support overall family health and well-being in Douglas County.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Request that the Board approve acceptance of the FY 2026 E470 Transportation Safety Grant

Review:



MEETING DATE: June 12th, 2026

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Michael Hill, Director, Public Health

DESCRIPTION: EHS Delegated Program

Contract Number: 2024*0457 OL#2

Contract Period: 7/1/2025 - 6/30/2026

Funding amount: \$84,000

SUMMARY: Local public health agencies are essential to the provision of quality and comprehensive public health services throughout the state and are critical partners with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment in maintaining a strong public health system. Each local public health agency shall assure the provision of Core Public Health Services within their jurisdiction. The scope of the provision of each Core Public Health Service is determined at the local level, and may differ across agencies based on community needs, priorities, funding and capacity. This project will inspect and assure regulatory compliance in retail food establishments, child care facilities and schools. The activities and deliverables for this project cannot be delegated by the Contractor to third party(ies), i.e. subcontracted, without written approval from the State.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Request that the Board approve acceptance of the FY 2026 EHS Delegated Program Award

Review:



MEETING DATE: June 12th, 2025

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Michael Hill, Director, Public Health

DESCRIPTION: DCHD Firearm Storage Mini-Grant

Contract Number: N/A

Contract Period: 06/1/25-06/30/25

Funding amount: \$3,650

SUMMARY:

Douglas County has seen an increased risk and upward trend in the number of youth (typically males) and men in the County who die by suicide using a firearm. As part of larger suicide prevention efforts in the County (including the development of a new suicide prevention workgroup), Douglas County Health Department (DCHD) will purchase firearm storage devices and locking mechanisms to distribute to individuals and families in need at community events and at the Health Department's building upon request. DCHD will partner with law enforcement agencies and the Mental Health Division to share messaging around the availability of safe storage devices for residents. Items will be purchased by June 30, 2025 and will be distributed throughout the remainder of the year at scheduled events that DCHD is participating in.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Request that the Board approve acceptance of the FY 2025 DCHD Firearm Storage Mini-Grant

Review:



MEETING DATE: June 12th, 2026

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Michael Hill, Director, Public Health

DESCRIPTION: OPHP Local Workforce Award

Contract Number: 2023 *0367 Amendment #1

Contract Period: 7/1/25 - 6/30/26

Funding amount: \$900,476

SUMMARY: The district public health agency shall participate in assessment and planning effort at the state, regional, and local level facilitated by the Office of Public Health Practice, Planning, and Local Partnerships. These efforts shall include maintaining and improving local capacity to provide services as established by the State Board of Health. This project serves to strengthen Colorado's public health system by ensuring core public health services are available statewide. This project will impact assessment and planning efforts at the state, regional, and local levels facilitated by the Office of Public Health Practice, Planning, and Local Partnerships. These efforts shall include maintaining and improving local capacity to provide services as established by the State Board of Health. Local public health agencies are essential to the provision of quality and comprehensive public health services throughout the state and are critical partners with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) in maintaining a strong public health system. Each local public health agency (LPHA) shall provide Core Public Health Services, which include Maternal and Child Health (MCH). The scope of the provision of each Core Public Health Service is determined at the local level and may differ across agencies based on community needs, priorities, funding, and capacity. The Office of Public Health Practice, Planning, and Local Partnerships (OPHP) and the local public health agency are responsible for assuring state funds are effectively used to provide Core Public Health Services

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Request that the Board approve acceptance of the FY 2026 OPHP Local Workforce award

Review:



MEETING DATE: September 11th, 2025

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Michael Hill, Director, Public Health

DESCRIPTION: CO Early Childhood Coaches Professional Development GAE Fund

Contract Period: 07/1/25-06/30/26

Funding amount: \$15,000

SUMMARY: This grant funds ongoing professional development for our early childhood coaches, including required training to renew their certificates, attendance at conferences, reflective supervision for both the coach and the supervisor, and any other training opportunities that arise that will increase their effectiveness in supporting early childhood programs.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Request that the Board approve acceptance of the FY 2025 CO Early Childhood Coaches Professional Development GAE Fund

Review:



MEETING DATE: September 11th, 2025

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Michael Hill, Director, Public Health

DESCRIPTION: The Cities Readiness Initiative Program (CRI)

Contract Number: 2026*0719 Amendment #1

Contract Period: 08/1/25-06/30/26

Funding amount: \$88,425

SUMMARY: The Cities Readiness Initiative Program (CRI) supports public health departments across the state upgrade their ability to effectively respond to a range of public health threats, including infectious diseases, natural disasters, and biological, chemical, nuclear, and radiological events. This project serves to improve local community emergency response processes, plans and ability to efficiently respond, administer, and dispense Medical Countermeasures (MCM) during a public health emergency. The continual development, testing and planning to improve communication, tracking, and distribution of needed supplies to local communities from the state will allow local communities to quickly receive MCMs.

The Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI) is a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) funded program to improve preparedness in large population centers to receive MCMs from the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) for distribution to replenish depleted local supplies during large public health emergencies. The rapid response by local CRI jurisdictions is essential in preparing communities to respond to and recover from emergencies and threats which will protect the public health of all residents and visitors in Colorado

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Request that the Board approve acceptance of the SFY 2026 CRI Program

Review:



MEETING DATE: September 11th, 2025

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Michael Hill, Director, Public Health

DESCRIPTION: Colorado Shines Quality Improvement (CSQI)

Contract Number: CT GG1 QAAA 2026-118 / GAE QAAA 2026-145

Contract Period: 07/1/25-06/30/26

Funding amount: \$124,579

SUMMARY: The E & E GAE (Emerging and Expanding General Assembly Expenditures) funding grant is designed to support initiatives that aim to expand access to services and enhance equity in various sectors, particularly for underserved populations. This grant program typically focuses on improving accessibility, equity, and the quality of services, such as childcare, education, health, or community services, by funding projects that address resource gaps and promote inclusive opportunities. The goal is to ensure that marginalized or at-risk communities have equal access to essential services and support systems, fostering long-term improvements in overall health, education, and social outcomes.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Request that the Board approve acceptance of the SFY 2026 CSQI Grant

Review:



MEETING DATE: September 11th, 2025

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Michael Hill, Director, Public Health

DESCRIPTION: Emerging and Expanding General Assembly Expenditures (E&E GAE) Amendment #1

Contract Number: CT GG1 2024-2648 A1 / 24QAAA 188760

Contract Period: 01/1/23-12/31/26

Funding amount: \$70,755

SUMMARY: The E & E GAE (Emerging and Expanding General Assembly Expenditures) funding grant is designed to support initiatives that aim to expand access to services and enhance equity in various sectors, particularly for underserved populations. This grant program typically focuses on improving accessibility, equity, and quality of services, such as childcare, education, health, or community services, by funding projects that address gaps in resources and promote inclusive opportunities. The goal is to ensure that marginalized or at-risk communities have equal access to essential services and support systems, fostering long-term improvements in overall health, education, and social outcomes.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Request that the Board approve acceptance of the SFY 2026 E&E GAE Grant

Review:



MEETING DATE: September 11th, 2025

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Michael Hill, Director, Public Health

DESCRIPTION: Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC 2.3)

Contract Number: PO# 2024*2277

Contract Period: 01/1/25-04/30/26

Funding amount: \$275,671

SUMMARY: The COVID-19 Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) grant is a federally funded program administered by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to support state, local, and territorial health departments in detecting, preventing, and responding to COVID-19 and other infectious diseases. This grant provides funding for laboratory testing, disease surveillance, contact tracing, data modernization, and workforce expansion to enhance public health response efforts. The ELC grant helps strengthen public health infrastructure, improve outbreak preparedness, and ensure equitable access to testing and prevention resources.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Request that the Board approve acceptance of the FFY ELC 2.3 Grant

Review:



MEETING DATE: September 11th, 2025

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Michael Hill, Director, Public Health

DESCRIPTION: Early Childhood Systems Building (ECSB)

Contract Number: CT GG1 QAAA 2026-118 / GAE QAAA 2026-145

Contract Period: 07/1/25-06/30/26

Funding amount: \$63,474

SUMMARY: The Early Childhood Systems Building grant is a funding opportunity aimed at helping organizations or communities develop and strengthen systems that support long-term, sustainable improvements in services and outcomes. This grant typically focuses on building or enhancing infrastructure, capacity, and processes that improve service delivery in areas such as public health, education, social services, or early childhood development. The goal of the System Builder grant is to create and support integrated, collaborative systems that address community needs and promote equity, ensuring that services are accessible, efficient, and impactful over time. The grant supports efforts to enhance coordination across sectors and promote innovation in addressing systemic challenges.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Request that the Board approve acceptance of the SFY 2026 ECSB Grant

Review:



MEETING DATE: September 11th, 2025

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Michael Hill, Director, Public Health

DESCRIPTION: Core Immunization Services

Contract Number: 2026*0099 OL#3

Contract Period: 07/1/25-06/30/26

Funding amount: \$210,883

SUMMARY: This project aims to maintain immunization awareness and increase vaccination rates across Colorado. Local Public Health Agencies (LPHAs) will ensure the delivery of core immunization services in accordance with established best practices and standards, with the goal of improving the health of individuals and communities. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE), funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), is working to address potentially life-threatening diseases and reduce associated risks. The project supports LPHAs through the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program and establishes a coordinated infrastructure aligned with national immunization standards.

Additionally, the project provides Section 317 vaccines at no cost to eliminate financial barriers for uninsured adults. It also combats anti-vaccination attitudes and beliefs by engaging communities and delivering targeted education within the service area. Healthcare providers and school-based settings are encouraged to utilize the Colorado Immunization Information System (CIIS) and contribute to this centralized system by entering immunization data. Ultimately, the project seeks to bring together the public and health professionals to reduce mortality and morbidity from vaccine-preventable diseases and to protect the health of all Coloradans.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Request that the Board approve acceptance of the SFY 2026 Immunization Program

Review:



MEETING DATE: September 11th, 2025

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Michael Hill, Director, Public Health

DESCRIPTION: Local Coordinating Organization for Universal Preschool
(LCO UPK)

Contract Number: 26 QAAA 199069 / CT QAAA 2026-1027

Contract Period: 07/1/25-06/30/26

Funding amount: \$114,575

SUMMARY: The **LCO UPK (Local Coordinating Organization for Universal Preschool) grant** funds local agencies to coordinate Colorado’s Universal Preschool program. These organizations act as community hubs, helping families apply for and access preschool options, supporting providers with onboarding and compliance, and ensuring children are placed equitably in available slots. The grant also prioritizes children with qualifying factors—such as low income, special education needs, or foster care—for expanded preschool hours, while guaranteeing all families have access to at least part-time UPK.

Grant funds primarily cover the **infrastructure and administrative backbone** of the program rather than direct classroom costs. This includes staffing for outreach and coordination, technical assistance for providers, data reporting, and community engagement. LCOs also manage local oversight of the program, working closely with the Colorado Department of Early Childhood (CDEC) to ensure funds are distributed fairly, families are supported, and providers meet quality standards. In short, the grant enables a smooth, equitable, and community-based rollout of Universal Preschool across Colorado.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Request that the Board approve acceptance of the SFY 2026 LCO Grant

Review:



MEETING DATE: September 11th, 2025

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Michael Hill, Director, Public Health

DESCRIPTION: Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)

Contract Number: 2026*0020 Amendment #2

Contract Period: 08/1/25-06/30/26

Funding amount: \$246,915

SUMMARY: The Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) grant is a federally funded program that supports state, local, tribal, and territorial public health agencies in building and strengthening their ability to prepare for, respond to, and recover from public health emergencies. Administered by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the grant focuses on enhancing emergency response capabilities, such as disease surveillance, medical countermeasures, risk communication, and community resilience. PHEP funding helps public health agencies develop plans, conduct training and exercises, and coordinate with emergency management and healthcare partners to protect communities from health threats, including natural disasters, infectious disease outbreaks, and bioterrorism.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Request that the Board approve acceptance of the SFY 2026 PHEP Program

Review:



MEETING DATE: September 11th, 2025

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Michael Hill, Director, Public Health

DESCRIPTION: Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)

Contract Number: 2024*2463 OL#4

Contract Period: 09/1/25-8/31/26

Funding amount: \$483,486

SUMMARY: The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program is a federally funded nutrition assistance program that provides healthy food, nutrition education, breastfeeding support, and referrals to healthcare and social services for low-income pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding women, as well as infants and children up to age five. Administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and implemented through state and local agencies, WIC aims to improve maternal and child health outcomes by ensuring access to nutritious foods and promoting healthy behaviors.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Request that the Board approve acceptance of the FFY 2026 WIC Program

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MEETING DATE: September 11th, 2025

STAFF PERSON RESPONSIBLE: Michael Hill, Director, Public Health

DESCRIPTION: State Tobacco Education and Prevention Partnership (STEPP)

Contract Number: 2024*0221 OL#3

Contract Period: 07/1/25-06/30/26

Funding amount: \$401,784

SUMMARY: The State Tobacco Education and Prevention Partnership (STEPP) grant is a funding initiative managed by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) to support statewide efforts in tobacco prevention, education, and cessation. It focuses on reducing tobacco use, addressing health disparities, and promoting policies that protect communities from the harmful effects of tobacco and nicotine products. The grant provides financial and technical assistance to local public health agencies, community organizations, and other partners working to implement evidence-based strategies and programs.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Request that the Board approve acceptance of the SFY 2026 STEPP Program

Review: