

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORZE THE HEALTH COMMISSIONER TO AMEND THE EXISTING CONTRACT BETWEEN THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH AND THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY NISONGER CENTER TO ASSIST IN GRANT ACTIVITIES RELATED TO ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES IN COVID-19. (Expense not to exceed \$9,137.29 – Funding NACCHO COVID 22 – DISABILITIES GRANT)

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2023, Resolution 23-055 was approved by the Board of Health to contract with The Ohio State University Nisonger Center to assist in grant activities until 12/31/2023; and

WHEREAS, an amendment is needed with the OSU Nisonger Center to extend the contract date to 12/31/2024 to support and allow OSU Nisonger Center to use the unspent funds to host meetings for the Disabilities Advisory Council (DAC) Members and travel vouchers to be used; and

WHEREAS, The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) awarded Franklin County Public Health for Emergency Preparedness services to address the needs of people with disabilities including COVID-19 planning, mitigation, and recovery efforts; and

WHEREAS, the main activities of the project include: (1) embedding a disability specialists to serve as subject matter experts, in local public health emergency preparedness planning and response programs; (2) increasing partnerships between local health departments and local disability organizations, and (3) updating local emergency response plans to better serve the needs of people with disabilities during outbreaks, pandemics, and other national emergencies; and

WHEREAS, there are many obstacles from COVID-19 that needed to be addressed including the importance of vaccinating homebound individuals, communicating with individuals that are hearing impaired, and how to best assist the individuals with limited cognitive ability. According to the most recent Communication, Maintaining Health, Independence, Services and Support, Transportation (CMIST) profile FCPH serves 40,000+ individuals with disabilities making up 10% of this population; and

WHEREAS, alignment of this grant coincides with FCPH HealthMap 2022 – Basic Needs and Racial Equity priorities – specifically persons with access and functional needs during an emergency response.

Now, therefore, upon motion of Board Member _____, second by Board Member _____;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH BOARD MEMBERS;

1. That the Health Commissioner is hereby authorized to amend the contract with The Ohio State University Nisonger Center to perform grant activities related to addressing the needs of people with disabilities in COVID-19. (Expense not to exceed \$9,137.29 – Funding NACCHO COVID 22 – DISABILITIES GRANT)

2. This resolution shall be in full force and effect upon adoption.

Voting Aye Thereon: _____

Board Members
Franklin County Board of Health

Voting Nay Thereon: _____

Board Members
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