



Agenda Action Form Overview

The Board is requested to approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 21BCC000082 for Public Health to recognize \$877,282 from NC DHHS Division of Public Epidemiology / Communicable Disease Branch for COVID-19 Prevention

Background/Justification

The primary mission of the Communicable Disease Branch (CDB) is to reduce morbidity and mortality resulting from communicable diseases that are a significant threat to the public through detection, investigation, testing, treatment, tracking, control, education, and care activities to improve the health of people in North Carolina.

The intention of this funding is to...

1. Enhance laboratory, surveillance, informatics and workforce capacity
2. Strengthen community laboratory testing
3. Advance electronic data exchange at Public Health labs
4. Improve surveillance and reporting of electronic health data
5. Use laboratory data to enhance investigation, response and prevention
6. Coordinate and engage with partners
7. Provide lodging and wrap-around services as described for individuals while under state or federal quarantine and isolation orders.

Policy Impact

Recognition of these funds are in line with current Board policy and do not require an exception.

Procurement Background

Not Applicable

Fiscal Impact

Recognizing these revenues for the current fiscal year will allow for additional funding needed to rapidly establish and monitor key activities related to COVID-19 in the areas of epidemiology, laboratory, and informatics.

Recommendation

The County Manager recommends the Board approve Budget Ordinance Amendment No. 21BCC000082 to recognize \$877,282 from the NC DHHS Division of Public Epidemiology / Communicable Disease Branch for COVID-19 Prevention.