

Executive Summary Form

**Agenda Number: HLT--**

**Recommendation:**

Approve the Amendment from the U.S. Department of Education (USDOE), with Arizona Department of Education (ADE) as fiscal agent to provide Child Care Health Consultant (CCHC) Services to high need communities, determined by the ADE. The amount that is in the amendment is \$4,380.00 and is intended to cover transportation to Tier 1,2 or 3 schools, along with nursing hours, until June 30, 2016. The two preschools/communities that ADE has determined are Douglas Unified School District in Douglas which has two preschool rooms with high need children and Wesleyan Preschool in Willcox. The CCHC has been in contact with both entities.

**Background:**

First Things First, an Arizona state program which utilizes funds from Tobacco Tax, are to be spent on increasing quality in child care facilities and pre-schools in Arizona. Cochise County Health Department has three CCHCs who provide consultation services in health and safety issues to childcare facilities and pre-schools. CCHCs receive training in order to provide Health and Safety Assessments, Caring for the Child with Special Needs, Safety and Injury Prevention, Infection Control and Injury Prevention, Nutrition and Physical Activity, Health Promotion for Staff, Parents and Children, Developmentally Appropriate Practices. CCHCs also offer assistance with developing health policies, resources for staff development and parent education. Since most child care providers do not have ready access to health resources to answer questions or assist them in health and safety planning, CCHCs fill this gap.

**Fiscal Impact & Funding Sources:**

The ADE has received funding from the USDOE for the Preschool Development Grant (PDG). The purpose is to deliver, implement and sustain high quality preschool to child care sites in high needs communities. The amendment to our First Things First grant is for \$4,380.00, bringing the total of the grant up to \$82,444.

Grant Title	Contract #	Amount	Salaries + EREs	Authorized OH	A-87 O.H.	Net Co. Subsidy
PDG	FTF-STATE-16-0785-01	\$4,380.00	\$2,604.00	@3.6956% \$96.00	@46.31% \$1,206.00	\$1,110.00

**Next Steps/Action Items/Follow-up:**

Your approval is respectfully requested.

**Impact of Not Approving:**

Three High Needs preschools (two in Douglas and one in Willcox) will not receive extra CCHC services to increase quality in their facilities, or extra services of CCHC would be provided free of charge, depending on workload.

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