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**TO:** Collin County Health Care Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Candy Blair, Manager, Health Care Services

**DATE:** April 23, 2015

**RE:** Ratification of Application for Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) FY2016-2017 Application for RLSS/Local Public Health Services (LPHS) funds

Attached is the FY2016-2017 application for DSHS RLSS/LPHS funds for the two-year grant period 9/1/2015-8/31/2017 in the amount of \$43,278. Due to the grant application deadline being 5/15/2015, the application was submitted to DSHS in a timely manner and needs ratification. The purpose of the RLSS/LPHS funds is to support efforts by local health departments in addressing public health issues, including those related to Tuberculosis.

Collin County Health Care Services (CCHCS) plans to use the DSHS funds towards the salary for the Tuberculosis (TB) Program Manager. The objective to be achieved in using the RLSS/LPHS funds is that the TB Program will be able to provide directly observed therapy (DOT) to patients at their home, work, and at our clinic setting. By providing DOT services, CCHCS is striving to reduce the spread of TB, which is a communicable disease spread through the air.