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TO: Collin County Health Care Board of Trustees

FROM: Candy Blair, Administrator, Collin County Health Care Services

DATE: March 20, 2020

RE: Contract Renewal Acceptance—Texas Department of State Health Services

(DSHS), FY 2021 Grant for Immunization Program funds

This is to request Commissioners Court's acceptance of the FY 2021 Immunizations Program grant renewal contract. The FY 2021 award is \$354,062 for the period from 9/1/2020 to 8/31/2021 which is level funding for the upcoming fiscal year.

The purpose of the Immunizations Program is to support local health departments in their efforts to provide immunization services to their communities as well as enhance epidemiology response to vaccine preventable diseases such as Perinatal Hepatitis B. The Immunizations Program also educates, manages, and assists approximately 70 healthcare providers who participate in the Texas Vaccines for Children (TVFC) Program to ensure they understand the proper storage and maintenance of state-issued vaccines. Collin County has an admirable history which spans over 25 years of providing the residents of its community with immunization services. Immunizations are also required by the Texas Administrative Code §97.63 for children attending schools in Texas. The Immunizations grant funds will be used towards the salary and fringe benefits of twelve department staff members who work in the Immunizations and Epidemiology departments. By applying for and receiving state funding, Collin County Health Care Services (CCHCS) will be able to continue to be a safety net provider of affordable and necessary immunizations for Collin County residents and their families.