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TO: Collin County Health Care Board of Trustees

FROM: Candy Blair, Manager, Health Care Services

DATE: March 25, 2021

RE: Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS)-Infectious Disease Control Unit/Surveillance and Epidemiology Activities (IDCU/SUR) Grant Funds-Notification of Level Funding

Attached for approval is an amendment to the DSHS IDCU/SUR grant contract (HHS000436300030) for the two year grant period, 9/1/2021-8/31/2023, in the amount of \$342,446. This grant is used to maintain (2) Epidemiologists that are currently on staff.

The purpose of the IDCU/SUR funds is to support efforts by local health departments in addressing public health issues, specifically the surveillance and epidemiology activities associated with foodborne and waterborne illnesses such as Salmonellosis, E. coli, Campylobacteriosis, Cryptosporidiosis, and Cyclosporiasis. The Epidemiologists are responsible for the investigation, data entry, and electronic reporting to DSHS of foodborne and waterborne illnesses as required in the Texas Administrative Code § 97.3 for Collin County.

The difference to support critical staff (2) Epidemiologist will be \$57,575.00 in FY 2022. I have requested a program improvement request in the FY 2022 budget.

I respectfully request approval.