

## COLLIN COUNTY

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

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

**DATE**: April 28, 2021

**RE**: Contract Amendment Acceptance-Level Funding—Texas Department of State

Health Services (Grant for Tuberculosis Prevention and Control (State Funds)

Contract Amendment HHS000483500001

This is to request Commissioners Court acceptance for the amended TB State grant award.

The amended grant contract begins September 1, 2021 and ends August 31, 2022. The contract amendment award is \$202,300.00, which is level funding.

The state funds are meant to provide basic services and related activities for tuberculosis (TB) prevention and control. TB is a communicable disease caused by Mycobacterium tuberculosis. TB is spread from person to person through the air. When a person with pulmonary or laryngeal TB coughs, sneezes, speaks, or sings, droplet nuclei containing M. tuberculosis are expelled into the air. Depending on the environment, these tiny particles (1-5microns in diameter) can remain suspended in the air for several hours. If another person inhales air containing droplet nuclei, transmission may occur.

Collin County has outpaced Texas and the nation in population growth in the last few years and the demands for TB services in Collin County are likewise increasing. In order to keep up with those demands and to continue to fulfill our assigned public health role, we will use this money to continue to fund TB staffing, purchase TB supplies, pay for diagnostic studies, and meet other TB clinic needs.