

## COLLIN COUNTY

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

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

**DATE**: March 13, 2023

**RE**: Renewal Application for Texas Department of State Health Services

(DSHS) FY 2024 Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI) grant Contract

Number: 537-18-0141-00001

Attached for approval is the FY 2024 Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI) grant application renewal for the one year grant period 7/1/2023-6/30/2024 in the amount of \$133,431 of level funding. The County match required for this funding is \$13,343.10 and will be met by using existing Collin County staff members' salary and fringe in addition to Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) volunteer hours.

CRI grant funds are additional Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) funds awarded to jurisdictions that fall within a Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA), and focus primarily on medical countermeasures dispensing, medical material management and distribution, and supporting capabilities. Since Collin County is part of the Dallas/Fort Worth MSA, we are eligible for the additional CRI grant funds. The grant funds ensure the ability of Collin County to receive and dispense medical countermeasures to the public in the event of a large scale public health emergency by utilizing the CDC's Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) assets. CCHCS plans to use the allocated CRI state funds towards the salaries of two Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) planners. Other program costs such as mileage, travel for training, and supplies are included in the budget for review.

I respectfully request approval for this contract renewal application.

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