



# COLLIN COUNTY

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

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

**DATE:** February 5, 2024

**RE:** Acceptance of the Amendment for the CPS/PH Workforce Grant Award (Contract No. HHS00107400001) through the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS)

Attached is the reduced funding contract amendment to the CPS/PH Workforce Grant. The current contract term will remain the same from September 2, 2021 through June 30, 2024. DSHS has requested a reduction the contract amount from \$1,250,000.00 to \$1,200,000.00. The reduction in funding will not shorten the employment period of any staff currently paid by this grant. There will be no negative impact to any employees, activities, or purchases previously approved by Commissioners Court for the CPS/PH Workforce Grant.

As part of this amendment, Collin County Health Care Services negotiated with DSHS and received approval to add two existing Epidemiologist positions (Position ID: 300490 and 300469) currently funded on the IDCU/COVID-19 Expansion grant (HHS000812700014) to the CPS/PH Workforce funding source, temporarily from February 19, 2024 through June 23, 2024. At the conclusion of the CPS/PH Workforce Grant in June 2024, the two Epidemiologist positions will transfer from the CPS/PH Workforce Grant to IDCU/COVID-19 Expansion Grant. Separately, the IDCU/COVID-19 Expansion grant has received a no-cost extension contract amendment that will go to Commissioners Court for separate approval in late February 2024. The combination of these two contract amendments and budget changes will allow staff to work their previously budgeted months funded by the IDCU/COVID-19 Expansion Grant but at a later date due to the contact extension.

This series of transitions of staff between grants will allow Health Care Services to extend the employment of two Epidemiologists that would otherwise be laid off, allowing Collin County to utilize grant funds provided by the state in a way that best serves Collin County residents.

I respectfully request approval for this contract amendment.

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