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TO: Collin County Health Care Board of Trustees

FROM: Candy Blair, Director of Public Health, Health Care Services

DATE: November 10, 2025

RE: Acceptance of Amendment No. 2 to the FY 2026 – FY 2027 Texas
Epidemiology Capacity Expansion Grant (IDPS/SUR) contract - Contract
Number: HHS001315700014

Attached is an amendment for DSHS IDPS/SUR grant contract for FY2026 - FY2027 for the two-year grant period, September 1, 2025 - August 31, 2027, in the amount of \$342,446. Collin County Health Care Services (CCHCS) plans to primarily use DSHS IDC/SUR funds towards a portion of the Salary and Fringe benefits of one existing Epidemiologist.

The amendment adds indirect costs, makes one existing Epidemiologist fully county funded, and makes one existing Epidemiologist fully grant funded between two grants (IDPS/SUR and Immunizations). No additional costs are incurred by Collin County with this amendment. The funding changes for these positions were previously approved by the Collin County Commissioners Court as part of the FY26 budget (Health Care Admin Department Improvement #1). The purpose of this grant amendment is to align IDPS/SUR grant funding with the Collin County FY26 budget.

The following staff salary and fringe benefits have been approved by DSHS for the amendment:

- Amendment 2 (with indirect costs)
 - Year 1 (September 1, 2025 – August 31, 2026)
 - Position ID: 300285 at 90% IDPS/SUR grant funded
 - Position ID: 300224 at 100% County Funded
 - Year 2 (September 1, 2026 – August 31, 2027)
 - Position ID: 300285 at 85% IDPS/SUR grant funded
 - Position ID: 300224 at 100% County Funded

An additional 10% grant funding is provided by the Immunizations grant adopted through agenda items 58139 and 58141 for Position ID: 300285 during the period of September 1, 2025 – August 30, 2026.

The purpose of the IDPS/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. By maintaining our epidemiology and surveillance capacity, CCHCS is striving to reduce the spread of foodborne and waterborne illnesses in our community.

I respectfully request approval of this contract amendment.

CB/bm