

Sedgwick County

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Legislation Text

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AGREEMENT WITH CENTRAL PLAINS REGIONAL HEALTH CARE PARTNERSHIP (CPRHCP), SEDGWICK COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND THE CITY OF WICHITA TO PARTNER WITH THE SEDGWICK COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT UNDER THE PROJECT ACCESS PROGRAM.

Presented by: Adrienne Byrne-Lutz, Interim Director, Health Department.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve the agreement and authorize the Chairman to sign.

Background: Project Access is a partnership program that facilitates accessibility to medical care, including prescription medications and medical equipment for uninsured, low-income residents of Sedgwick County (those who fall below 200 percent of the federal poverty guideline).

Project Access, created in 1999, operates within the CPRHCP, a community-wide network of public and private organizations that identifies individuals who may qualify for assistance. Many local physicians and hospitals have volunteered their time and facilities, as well as, several pharmacies have offered prescriptions at a reduced cost to assist in serving these individuals.

Funding for the project comes from a variety of sources, including both the City of Wichita and Sedgwick County. The funding level from Sedgwick County will remain the same (\$208,490) as 2013 and 2014.

The \$208,940 allocation in 2015 will be used to fund portions of numerous salaried positions, as well as, pay for prescriptions and durable medical equipment. The contribution from Sedgwick County will supplement efforts of the CPRHCP to ensure medically underserved residents of Sedgwick County will have access to medications and supplies that lessen the burden from chronic diseases.

Alternatives: To not approve the agreement.

Terms: The proposed agreement will be effective from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.

Financial Considerations:

Funds are managed through fund center 37002-110.

Central Plains Regional Health Care Foundation, Inc. Project Access Budget

Personnel, Benefits and Payroll taxes: \$ 135,244 Prescriptions / Medical Equipment: \$ 67,971

Computer Services to Maintain Project Access Database: \$ 5,725

TOTAL: \$ 208,940

Budget Authority Adjustment: No additional budget authority is being requested. Sufficient authority is included in the 2015 Adopted Budget.

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Legal Considerations: The County has the authority to enter into this agreement under its home rule powers included within K.S.A. 19-101 et seq. Approval of this agreement requires simple majority vote.

Policy Considerations: N/A

Outside Attendees: Anne Nelson, CPRHCP

Multimedia Presentation: No.