

BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM

MEETING DATE: February 16, 2010

Action Requested: Increase Immunization program budget by \$46,839 to reflect new federal funding.

The spread of vaccine preventable diseases presents a real threat to the health and quality of life of the citizens of North Carolina. With a American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funded grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and by partnering with local health agencies, the state Immunization Program seeks to provide preventive health measures through the administration of vaccine to age appropriate populations within the state.

The aim of the ARRA project is to increase the number of school-aged children vaccinated with seasonal influenza vaccine across the state. The Buncombe County Department of Health conducted in-school clinics at all Asheville City and Buncombe County schools with grades K-5. Funding was used to hire temporary nurses, for overtime hours of clerical staff doing data entry, and for forms and promotional materials.

NCGS Requiring Service: 10A NCAC 46.0214

NCGS requires we PROVIDE: Communicable disease control, including immunizations.

or ENSURE AVAILABLE IN COMMUNITY:

Alternative Service Delivery Methods considered and evaluated:

Funds/Staff requested: There are no county funds or staff requested.

Request submitted by: Jim Holland for Gibbie Harris

Date Submitted: February 5, 2010