

BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
AGENDA ITEM

MEETING DATE: November 3, 2009

**Action Requested:**

Increase Community Protection & Preparedness budget by \$525,013 to reflect new federal funding for an H1N1 mass vaccination campaign.

In the period from April 24 through May 15, 2009, North Carolina's public health system responded to the identification of a unique H1N1 influenza virus discovered in California and Texas. On April 26, the Acting Secretary of Health and Human Services declared the first public health emergency in U.S. history related to this virus. The State of North Carolina is planning and preparing for a second outbreak expected to occur in the fall of 2009 to reduce the number of reported H1N1 cases in North Carolina.

The purpose of this federal funding is to address gaps in capabilities for mass vaccination implementation and to support activities related to implementation of a mass vaccination campaign. CDC expects that a significant portion of the funds will be used to fund the temporary personnel costs associated with mass vaccination.

No county funds are required.

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: We will continue to work with partners in the community on mass vaccination for H1N1.

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

Request submitted by: Jim Holland for Gibbie Harris

Date Submitted: October 21, 2009