



Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: 9/1/2020

New Business

Department:

Budget

Presenter(s):

Jennifer Barnette, Budget

Contact(s):

Stacie Saunders, Public Health

Jennifer Barnette, Budget

Subject:

Covid Nurse Team - AA543

Brief Summary:

Buncombe County HHS received funding of \$366,415 from FY21 DPH Agreement Addendum # 543 ELC Enhancing Detection Activities, from Communicable Disease Branch (CDB) to carry out Covid related surveillance, epidemiology, laboratory capacity, infection control, mitigation, communications, and other preparedness and response activities.

In order to respond to Covid community spread, HHS Public Health is utilizing ten temporary employees (9 nurses and 1 admin) to work for a 6 month period, 7 full-time, 2 part-time, total 8 FTEs. The total estimated budget amount for the Covid temporary team is \$472,973. AA543 will fund 8 of the salary costs of these temporary positions. The balance of funding (for 2 of the positions) will be provided by a line item transfer of balance remaining on DPH AA619 which was adopted in July 2020.

Recommended Motion & Requested Action:

Approve budget amendment

County Manager's Comments & Recommendation:

County Manager recommends as presented