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In Control: Head Start Policy Council Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Department of Human Services

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Melody Woosley

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Review of Head Start and Early Head Start (EHS) Program Wellness Services

SUMMARY:

This item presents the following from the Department of Human Services (DHS) Head Start, Early Head Start, and Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership programs for action by the Head Start Policy Council.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Wellness Team provides services to children and families in need of Wellness Services by completing consultations and may suggest interventions. The Wellness Team can refer families in need to community providers in order to meet the social, emotional, and behavioral needs of children and family members. To further support parent education in the areas of social/emotional development and to address specific behavioral concerns, parents are offered parenting curricula

to address the interest and/or concerns of the child's well-being. The Wellness Team provides consult services and guidance, referrals, and supplemental trainings to foster a collaborative effort in promoting positive and healthy relationships with staff.

ISSUE:

Rules and regulations for the Head Start, Early Head Start, and Early Start-Child Care Partnership grants as set forth by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) require the Head Start Policy Council to review programmatic actions to oversee certain key responsibilities.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no anticipated impact to the general fund as a result of these actions.

ALTERNATIVES:

The review of the items included in this memorandum are required for program compliance with U.S. Department of Health and Human Services rules and regulations for Head Start, Early Head Start, and Early Head Start- Child Care Partnership programs.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff will present a briefing on this item subject to possible action by the HSPC Committee. Staff recommends review and approval of the items included in this memorandum.