



CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT

AGREEMENTS WITH LOCAL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICTS

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Background

- Since 2017, City Council has authorized the acceptance of pass-through funds from the Department of State Health Services' (DSHS) Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) grant from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in support of public health emergency preparedness.
- As part the DSHS PHEP grant, Metro Health is required to develop a plan in the event of a public health emergency related to the protection from infectious diseases and biological toxins.



Background

- Local Independent School District schools are ideal locations to provide immunizations and dispense medications, as schools:
 - Are typically within walking distance (no more than three miles) from residents' homes.
 - Have resources such as:
 - Restrooms
 - Parking
 - Refrigeration
 - Cafeteria
 - Data and phone connections
 - Office equipment
 - Rooms for volunteer training
 - Required square footage to implement an emergency plan



Fiscal Impact

- No-cost Interlocal Agreement with Independent School Districts for facility usage, in the event of a public health emergency.
- Term: 5 years
- No impact to the General Fund.



Recommendation

- Staff recommends approval of Interlocal Agreements for Metro Health to utilize their facilities for the purpose of providing vaccinations and or medications to the residents of Bexar County in the event of a public health emergency.

