



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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DEPARTMENT: Health Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Claude Jacob

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

An ordinance approving amendments to agreements with Jennifer Bankler, DDS, and Jackson David Singleton, DDS for the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District's Oral Health program to increase the compensation in an amount of up to \$21,000.00 for a total amount of \$57,000.00 (Bankler) and an amount of up to \$26,300.00 for total amount of \$51,300.00(Singleton), respectively, inclusive of renewals.

SUMMARY:

This ordinance approves an amendment to an agreement with Jennifer Bankler, DDS, to increase compensation to continue to provide professional clinical and consultation services for the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District's Oral Health program in an amount up to \$21,000.00 for a term beginning October 1, 2021, and ending September 30, 2022, with an option to renew for one additional, one-year term for a cumulative amount of \$57,000.00, inclusive of renewals.

This ordinance approves an amendment to an agreement with Jackson David Singleton, DDS, to increase compensation to continue to provide professional clinical and consultation services for the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District's Oral Health program in an amount up to \$26,300.00 for a term beginning October 1, 2021, and ending September 30, 2022, for a cumulative amount of \$51,300.00, inclusive of renewals.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On an annual basis, the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District's (Metro Health) Oral Health program provides diagnostic and preventive care to more than 12,000 children living in poverty by providing services in non-traditional settings such as Head Start, Early Head Start and on campuses of local Title I elementary schools. Approximately 23% of children enrolled in the City's Head Start Program are not covered through Texas Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Plan (CHIP). During the 2019-2020 school year, more than 1,200 children enrolled in the program were identified with untreated decay. Through these programs, many children are identified with additional dental treatment needs beyond the scope of Metro Health services. Case management services are provided by Metro Health dental staff to ensure participating children receive needed treatment and connect families to a source of ongoing care in the community.

Through dental services agreements with the City of San Antonio (CoSA)'s Department of Human Services (DHS), Parent Child Incorporated (PCI), Family Services Association (FSA), and AVANCE San Antonio, Metro Health's Oral Health clinics provide oral health assessments and preventive care; including fluoride varnish applications, for children enrolled in the federally funded Head Start Program, designed to serve children ages 3 to 5 years whose parents' income meets Administration for Child, Youth and Families Guidelines.

From 2004 through 2020, Dr. Bankler served as the Clinical Dental Director for Metro Health's Oral Health program. Dr. Bankler's years of experience with the Oral Health program's initiatives are invaluable to the program in meeting the scope of work of agreements to provide high quality dental care to uninsured or underinsured children in San Antonio. Dr. Singleton joined the Oral Health program's initiative in 2011 and has since provided expertise in professional clinical and consultation services. As required by the State of Texas, both Dr. Bankler and Dr. Singleton provide oversight to the program's clinical operations and provided limited oral exams, identification of emergent oral health issues, and prescriptions when required, to patients of the program.

The Oral Health program identified the need to increase the number of hours worked annually by both Dr. Bankler and Dr. Singleton, under their current professional services agreements. Metro Health seeks to amend the agreement with Dr. Bankler to increase compensation in an amount of \$6,000.00, not to exceed \$21,000.00 for the term beginning October 1, 2021, and ending September 30, 2022 and increase by \$6,000.00 not to exceed \$21,000.00 for the renewal term beginning October 1, 2022 and ending September 30, 2023. The total contract value of this agreement will be \$57,000.00, inclusive of renewals. In addition, Metro Health will amend the agreement with Dr. Singleton to increase compensation in an amount of \$1,300.00, not to exceed \$26,300.00 for a term beginning October 1, 2021, and ending September 30, 2022. The total contract value of this agreement will be \$51,300.00, inclusive of the renewal.

ISSUE:

Metro Health requests City Council authorize amendments to the agreements with Jennifer Bankler, DDS, and Jackson David Singleton, DDS, to increase compensation to continue to provide professional clinical and consultation services for the San Antonio Metropolitan Health

District's Oral Health program. Approval of amendments to these agreements will allow the Oral Health clinic's operations, to continue to properly staff normal clinic operations.

ALTERNATIVES:

Should amendments to the agreements with Jennifer Bankler, DDS, and Jackson David Singleton, DDS, not be approved, Metro Health will not have the required level of experienced dentists, with expertise in the Oral Health clinic's operations, to properly staff normal clinic operations. Metro Health will be unable to continue to provide oral health services to uninsured or underinsured children. If the agreements are not amended, the Oral Health program will not be able to schedule as many clinics which will delay meeting Head Start health requirements to include limited oral evaluation and fluoride varnish applications, which are deliverables required through agreements with the CoSA's DHS, PCI, FSA, and AVANCE San Antonio.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This ordinance authorizes the execution of an amendment to an agreement with Jennifer Bankler, DDS, to increase compensation to continue professional clinical and consultation services by adding \$6,000.00 for a total amount of up to \$21,000.00 for a term ending September 30, 2022, with an option to renew for up to \$21,000.00 for one additional, one-year term. Funding in an amount of \$15,000.00 is available and budgeted in the Medicaid 1115 Waiver Oral Health budget. Additional funding in an amount of \$6,000.00 is provided through the FY 2022 General Fund. The total contract value of this agreement will be \$57,000.00, inclusive of renewals.

This ordinance authorizes the execution of an amendment to an agreement with Jackson David Singleton, DDS, to increase compensation to continue professional clinical and consultation services by adding \$1,300.00 for a total amount of up to \$26,300.00 for a term ending September 30, 2022. Funding in an amount of \$25,000.00 is available and budgeted in the Medicaid 1115 Waiver Oral Health budget. Additional funding in an amount of \$1,300.00 is provided through the FY 2022 General Fund. The total contract value of this agreement will be \$51,300.00, inclusive of renewals.

Funding for the renewal terms is subject to future appropriations by City Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends City Council approve amendments to agreements with Jennifer Bankler, DDS, and Jackson David Singleton, DDS, to increase compensation to continue to provide professional clinical and consultation services for the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District's Oral Health program.