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DATE: October 21, 2010

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Cheryl Archbald, MD MPH
Acting Commissioner of Health

RE: Authorization to Enter into Contract to Accept Continued Funding from the New York State Department of Health for the Healthy Mom – Healthy Baby Prenatal and Postpartum Program Grant as follows:

Multi Year Period:	10/1/09 – 9/30/14
Contract Period:	10/1/10 – 9/30/11
Contract Amount:	Not-To-Exceed \$545,836

The Westchester County Department of Health (“WCDH”) requests authorization to enter into contract with the New York State Department of Health (“NYSDOH”) to accept continued funding for the Healthy Mom – Healthy Baby Prenatal and Postpartum (“HMHB”) Program grant, for the contract period 10/01/10 through 09/30/11, pursuant to an approved budget, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$545,836.

This program will promote the public health and general welfare of County residents by improving the coordination of referrals among the County’s prenatal health and home visiting service providers for Medicaid eligible at-risk pregnant and postpartum women and their newborns.

The goal of this project is to expand or enhance existing systems to improve the timely provision of referrals and supportive services in order to promote healthy birth outcomes for Medicaid eligible expectant and postpartum mothers and their infants. The program objective is to ensure that these necessary services are provided to this population. This will be accomplished through early identification of at-risk pregnant and postpartum women and their newborns through coordination and tracking of referrals among the County’s birthing hospitals and community based partners.

The HMHB Program is an essential and preventive health initiative designed to address gaps and improve service coordination among the County’s prenatal care providers in order to reduce the high proportion of women and their infants in Westchester County with delayed and little or no prenatal care.

The WCDH will track and monitor this program by surveying and assessing prenatal care risk screening tools used by providers, surveying and assessing prenatal risk factor criteria used to generate home visiting referrals, assessing data collected from Medicaid eligible prenatal women who call into the outreach campaign’s hotline number and by conducting birth certificate reviews for postpartum women. Quarterly and annual activity reports will also be prepared and submitted to the NYSDOH.

Approval of the attached resolution is respectfully requested.

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Attachment

RESOLUTION

UPON A COMMUNICATION FROM THE ACTING COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Department of Health, is authorized to enter into contract with the New York State Department of Health to accept continued funding for the Healthy Mom – Healthy Baby Prenatal and Postpartum (“HMHB”) Program grant, pursuant to an approved budget as follows:

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and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute all appropriate contracts or documents necessary to effectuate the purposes of this resolution in the manner prescribed by law

Department of Health
 County of Westchester
 145 Huguenot Street, 8th Floor
 New Rochelle, New York 10801
 October 21, 2010

Agreement #

Account to be Charged/Credited	Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars
	263	27	020K	9854	T020	\$181,892
263	27	021K	9854	T021	\$363,944	

Budget Funding Year(s) (must match resolution) 2010-2011 Start Date 10/1/10 End Date 9/30/11

Funding Source Tax Dollars _____
 State Aid _____
\$545,836 Federal Aid _____
 (must match resolution) Other 100% NYSDOH Funds