



## ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

**County Board Agenda Item  
Meeting of June 13, 2009**

**DATE:** June 13, 2009

**SUBJECT:** Women, Infants and Children (WIC) State Operational Adjustment Funds

**C. M. RECOMMENDATION:**

Appropriate \$14,755 in Virginia Department of Health (101.374802) WIC funds to the Department of Human Services (101.55104) in FY10 to hire a contract dietitian and install WIC client education equipment.

**ISSUES:** This is a request to appropriate WIC funds for specified activities. No local match is required and no issues have been identified.

**SUMMARY:** The Virginia Department of Health WIC funds will be used to hire a contract registered dietitian to provide maternity clinic consultant services and coordinate client referrals to the WIC Program. Additional funds will be used for the installation of a TV/DVD player.

**BACKGROUND:** The Virginia Department of Health WIC Office offered competitive Operational Adjustment Grants to local health districts to enhance WIC operations. The Department of Human Services (DHS) applied for and was awarded funds for the period of July 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009.

DHS will use the funds to hire a bi-lingual contract registered dietitian. In addition to providing nutritional consultations in DHS' maternity clinic, the dietitian will facilitate WIC certifications during clinic visits. This will increase access to WIC services.

The Operational Adjustment Grant funds will also be used to install a TV/DVD player previously provided by VDH without funds for installation. The TV/DVD player will be used to raise nutrition awareness among WIC clients.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None. All expenses will be covered by the grant. No local match is required.

County Manager: \_\_\_\_\_

County Attorney: \_\_\_\_\_

Staff: Therese Panagis and Carolyn French, Public Health, DHS