



ARLINGTON COUNTY, VIRGINIA

**County Board Agenda Item
Meeting of July 10, 2010**

DATE: June 11, 2010

SUBJECT: Part C Funding for the Department of Human Services

C. M. RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Appropriate \$285,908 in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Part C funds from the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (101.374900) to the Department of Human Services (101.55201).
2. Appropriate \$97,229 State Part C Funds from the Virginia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (101.374900) to the Department of Human Services (101.55201).

ISSUE: This is a request to appropriate federal and state early intervention funds for specified activities. No local match is required and no issues have been identified.

SUMMARY: The Department of Human Services (DHS) has received notification that additional federal and state funds have been allocated to support early intervention services under Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Funding will be used for contracted therapy providers and service coordination so that families receive earlier assessments, treatment plans, and therapy services to meet all federal requirements.

BACKGROUND: Part C funds will be used to support DHS' Parent Infant Education Program (PIE). PIE is a family-centered program that serves children with developmental delays from birth through two years of age. The program helps families work with their children to help them develop to their maximum potential. Services include individual plans for each child for services such as physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy and educational services.

DISCUSSION: The combined total of new federal and state funds is \$383,137. Staff anticipate using approximately \$29,359 for training and professional development, including pivotal response training for autism treatment; \$194,310 for direct services to children such as contracted assessments, physical therapy, developmental services and social work; \$113,906 for a comprehensive record audit using the state Medicaid quality management review tool; \$33,502 for assistive technology and parent resource library materials; \$9,380 for an electronic medical record scanner; and \$2,680 for public awareness materials.

County Manager: MB mna

County Attorney: MD/ SAM

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Staff: Margaret Jones, Parent Infant Education program, DHS

FISCAL IMPACT: None. There is no match requirement and no impact on net tax support.