

LFIR # 1734

- Project Title
   Child Protection Team Improvement

   2.
   Senate Sponsor

   Aaron Bean
- 3. Date of Request 12/07/2019

### 4. **Project/Program Description**

This is a request for additional recurring funding for the Child Protection Teams statewide. This will help to better address the increased complexity of serious child abuse cases including medical neglect, severe neglect, severe physical abuse, and sexual abuse. Child Protection Teams will be able to better provide evaluations and recommendations to meet the increased scope of effort mandated by the legislature in the last several years.

5. State Agency to receive requested funds

Department of Health

State Agency contacted? 

 Yes
 No

### 6. Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2020-2021

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	2,500,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	000
Total State Funds Requested	2,500,000

7. Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (including matching funds available for this project)

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	2500000	100.0 %
Matching Funds		
Federal	00	0 %
State (excluding the amount of this request)	00	0 %
Local	00	0 %
Other	00	0 %
Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2020-2021	2,500,000	100 %

8. Has this project previously received state funding? • Yes O No If yes, provide the most recent instance:

Fiscal Year	Amount		Specific	Specific	
(уууу-уу)	Recurring	Nonrecurring	Appropriation #	Vetoed	
2019-20	1,500,000	00	524	No	

9. Is future-year funding likely to be requested? • Yes • No

If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.



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### 10. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended

Spending Category	Description	Amount
Administrative Costs:		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		
Other Salary and Benefits		
Expense/Equipment/ Travel/Supplies/Other		
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
<b>Operational Costs: Oth</b>	er	
Salary and Benefits	Approximately 75% of expenditures are for salaries and benefits	1,875,000
Expense/Equipment/ Travel/Supplies/Other	Approximately 25% of expenditures are for non-salary items	625,000
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		
Fixed Capital Construc	tion/Major Renovation:	
Construction/Renovation/ Land/Planning Engineering		
Total State Funds Re	equested (must equal total from question #6)	2,500,000



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### 11. Program Performance

a. What specific purpose or goal will be achieved by the funds requested?

This will help to better address the increased complexity of serious child abuse cases including medical neglect, severe neglect, severe physical abuse, and sexual abuse. Child Protection Teams (CPT) will be able to better provide evaluations and recommendations to meet the increased scope of effort mandated by the legislature in the last several years.

b. What activities and services will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?

This will enable the hiring of additional CPT personnel to better provide medical evaluations, forensic interviews, specialized interviews, psychosocial and psychological evaluations, and services that help children. This includes services that work along with community partners.

c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?

Children seen for allegations of child abuse receive forensic interviews when appropriate, medical evaluations as outpatients or inpatients, specialized interviews, and court testimony when needed.

d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?

All children seen by the 23 CPTs statewide. For calendar year 2018, around 30,000 children were evaluated by the Child Protection Teams. The CPTs also reviewed over 200,000 reports from the Child Abuse Hotline. With increased resources, likely an increased number of children will be seen.

e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?

The CPTs will be better able to devote time and resources to evaluation of children and provide recommendations to DCF and others. The number of children seen and number of services provided help to measure these processes.

f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for in the contract?

DOH currently has real time performance standards and formal reviews for the CPTs - with remedies and financial penalties for failure to perform.



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# 12. The owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.

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