

# Governor's Recommendations to Redirect Funding to the IDPH Modernization Bill

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## General Fund Summary

### Iowa Mother's Milk Bank

**\$100,000**

Of the base appropriation of \$2.7 million to Healthy Children and Families in the FY 09 HHS Appropriations Act, \$100,000 is directed to the U of I Children's Hospital Mother's Milk Bank of Iowa. According to a staff person, approximately one-third to one-fourth of the operating budget is from the IDPH contract that supports at least one FTE (of two total), outreach services, tech assistance, and transportation of extra milk for mothers transferring to another hospital. Consolidated office space so some savings realized this fiscal year. Approximately 1,400 babies have received the benefit. Created in 2002 by staff of Carver College, expanded by the General Assembly in 2007. Iowa is the only State in US to contribute State funds to a milk bank.

### Statewide Perinatal Care Program

**\$53,169**

The Statewide Perinatal Care Program provides professional training, development of standards/guidelines of care, consultation to regional and primary providers and evaluation of the quality of care delivered to reduce the mortality and morbidity of infants. IDPH contracts with U of I Hospitals and Clinics to provide these services.

### Iowa Child Death Review Team

**\$37,490**

Started in 1995 the Iowa Child Death Review Team reviews all deaths of children ages 17 and younger, makes recommendations to the Legislature and the general public about prevention. Advocates for use of the Child Death Scene Investigation Form (ME-4) they helped to develop. Published annual report complete with a list of accomplishments on page 14 at [http://www.idph.state.ia.us/hpcdp/common/pdf/publications/cdrt\\_report\\_2007.pdf](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/hpcdp/common/pdf/publications/cdrt_report_2007.pdf). Currently the State, through IDPH, is the only funding source for this Program.

### Iowa Stillbirth Surveillance Project (ISSP)

**\$26,000**

Iowa Stillbirth Surveillance Project (ISSP) and prevention programs advocate standard data gathering using stillbirth evaluation protocol and helps with prevention initiatives. Implemented in HF 2362 (Stillbirth Reporting, passed in 2004 session). The \$26,000 funds work group meetings, conference calls, materials, a coordinator's percent of effort, and an Infant Mortality Director's percent of effort. State funding, through the IDPH, is currently the only resource for the Program. Formerly funded through HITT, however the Governor is recommending to shift funding for the Program to the General Fund and then redirect the Program's funding to the Modernization Bill.

### Epilepsy Education Grant

**\$100,000**

Since FY 2008, the Epilepsy Foundation of N/Central Illinois, Iowa & Nebraska has been given \$100,000 from IDPH to fund 1.00 FTE position, outreach and education services in Des Moines, the only Iowa branch of the Foundation. The grant represents approximately 90% of the Iowa operation according to staff from the Illinois headquarters and the Iowa staff person. Formerly funded through HITT, however the Governor is recommending to shift funding for the Program to the General Fund and then redirect the Program's funding to the Modernization Bill.

### Child Screening Vision Program

**\$100,000**

This initiative was implemented in FY 2004 to screen the vision of infants and young children statewide and to provide preventative education. IDPH is required to allocate \$100,000 for a Child Screening Vision Program (Iowa Kidsight) through U of I Hospitals and Clinics in collaboration w/ Community Empowerment areas and the Lions Club of Iowa. Per conversation with staff, the money funds one FTE and film for cameras that take pictures of kids to send to U of I for analysis. The total operating budget is an estimated \$250,000 and does not include in-kind U of I staff time or the time of 200 Lion's Club volunteers statewide. The Program sees 30,000 children annually at approximately \$8.33 per child.

### Plumbing and Mechanical Professions Board

**\$200,000**

New budget item for FY 2009, found in the FY 2009 HHS Approps Act. The approp. of \$200,000 was required to be used by IDPH for start-up costs to implement licensing for plumbers and mechanical professions in accordance to 2007 Iowa Acts, ch 198. The Act also permitted the Dept. to use current FY 2008 budget resources to fund expenses related to licensing these professions. Requires the expenditures to be offset by licensing revenues by the end of FY 2009.

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## **Health Care Trust Fund (HCTF)**

### **Child Dental Screening Program (HCTF) \$35,459**

Of the HCTF appropriation to Healthy Children and Families in the FY 09 HHS Appropriations Act, \$39,000 is directed for child dental screenings. This funding supports activities and services within the Department's Oral Health Bureau. Overall, the Bureau has an FY 09 budget of \$3.5 million. The Governor has recommended eliminating the HCTF and redirecting \$35,000 of this \$39,000 to fund the Modernization Bill.

### **Postnatal Tissue Program (HCTF) \$182**

Of the Health Care Trust Fund (HCTF) appropriation to Healthy Children and Families in the FY 09 HHS Appropriations Act, \$20,000 is directed for child dental screenings for FY 09. The Act provides for carryforward funding from FY 08 of \$19,800 and \$200 from the FY 09 HCTF to Healthy Children and Families for IDPH to use for this Program. This funding supports activities and services that implement the recommendations of the Postnatal Tissue and Fluid Bank Task Force implemented in HF 910 (2007 Banking of Umbilical Cords for Use and Research). To view the recommendations go to:

[http://www.idph.state.ia.us/genetics/common/pdf/legislative\\_report.pdf](http://www.idph.state.ia.us/genetics/common/pdf/legislative_report.pdf). The Governor has recommended eliminating the HCTF and redirecting \$182 of the \$200 to fund the Modernization Bill.

### **Child Screening Vision Program (HCTF) \$9,092**

Of the HCTF appropriation to Healthy Children and Families in the FY 09 HHS Appropriations Act, \$10,000 is directed to public health education and awareness of children's vision initiatives. This funding supports activities and services within the InfantSEE Program sponsored by the Iowa Optometric Association. The Program provides free one-time, comprehensive eye assessment to infants in their first year. The Governor has recommended eliminating the HCTF and redirecting \$9,092 of the \$10,000 to fund the Modernization Bill.

### **Hemophilia Advisory Council (HCTF) \$182**

Of the HCTF appropriation to Chronic Conditions in the FY 09 HHS Appropriations Act, \$5,000 is directed to the Hemophilia Advisory Council (SF 548 2006 Hemophilia Advisory Committee) for FY 09. The Act provides for carryforward funding from FY 08 of \$4,800 and \$200 from the FY 09 HCTF to Chronic Conditions for IDPH to support activities of the Council. The Governor has recommended eliminating the HCTF and redirecting \$182 of the \$200 to fund the Modernization Bill.

### **Iowa Collaborative Safety Net - 3 Pilots (HCTF) \$300,000**

A significant portion of the HCTF appropriation to Community Capacity in the FY 09 HHS Appropriations Act is directed to initiatives of the Iowa Collaborative Safety Net Provider Network. The Governor is recommending the elimination of three pilot projects of the Network that receive a total of \$300,000 including funding for family planning network agencies (\$100,000), local board of health pilot programs in three counties (\$100,000), and three child and maternal health center pilot programs (\$100,000). The Governor is recommending that the HCTF be eliminated and that the \$300,000 for these programs be redirected to fund the Modernization Bill.

## **Total recommended General Funds for Modernization Act**

**\$961,574**