



## Legislation Text

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### Title

## Grant Application: Youth Mental and Behavioral Health: Near-Term Opportunities to Support North Carolina's Youth

### Action

#### ACTION:

- 1) Approve the submission of a grant application to Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina (BCBS of NC) Foundation for up to \$1,500,000 in the General Grant fund (G001) for the grant period of November 1, 2024 - November 30, 2027. The application deadline is July 9, 2024.
- 2) If awarded, recognize, receive and appropriate the award amount of up to \$1,500,000 to the General Grant fund (G001) within Public Health.
- 3) If awarded, create one (1) full-time position for this program in the General Grant fund (G001) within Public Health.
- 4) If awarded, adopt a grant project ordinance for Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina Foundation, Youth Mental and Behavioral Health: Near-Term Opportunities to Support North Carolina's Youth grant in the General Grant Fund (G001).

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**Presentation:** No

#### **BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:**

Public Health is applying for a Youth Mental and Behavioral Health: Near-Term Opportunities to Support North Carolina's Youth grant. This grant opportunity is to expand access to mental and behavioral health services and resources for youth through models that are effective in the short term (1-3 years), and which leverage a trained workforce that goes beyond specialty trained behavioral health care clinical and professional roles. The department will partner with Charlotte-Mecklenburg

Schools to support and create trainings for the Handle with Care program and trainers for 83 new Sources of Strengths programs. Public Health is requesting a health educator to serve as the liaison to ensure those children and youth recommended to the programs are receiving behavioral and mental health resources.

**PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:**

N/A

**POLICY IMPACT:**

N/A

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Increase in revenue and associated expenses up to \$1,500,000 in the General Grants fund (G001).