

Mecklenburg County

Legislation Text

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Title:

Grant Application - WIC Regional Lactation Training Center

Summary

ACTION:

Approve submission of a \$180,000 grant application (\$60,000 per year for three years) for continuation of the WIC Regional Lactation Training Center program from

the NC Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, Women's and Children's Health Section

Staff Contact: Gibbie Harris, Health Director MSPH, BSN

Presentation: No

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:

This Request for Application will provide funding to maintain a Regional WIC Lactation Training Center in each of the North Carolina Southwestern Perinatal Regions. Our region consists of eight counties, including Mecklenburg, Gaston, Union, Anson, Iredell, Cabarrus, Lincoln, Stanley and Cleveland. This grant comes from the Federal Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for WIC and all expenses for this effort would be covered by the grant. Applicants can apply for a maximum of \$60,000 per year for a three-year cycle. This funding would begin on June 1, 2019 and end on May 31, 2022.

The goal of this project is to enhance statewide infrastructure to breastfeeding by maintaining a Regional WIC Lactation Training Center within each of the six perinatal regions. The Southwestern Perinatal center will help assure public health agency staff funded by the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) and other health professionals serving the WIC eligible population have routine and ready access to accurate, standardized, evidence-informed lactation management training and continuing education.

This grant application is due October 25, 2018.

PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND:

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POLICY IMPACT:

FISCAL IMPACT:

Estimated federal revenues and expenses of up to \$60,000 annually for three years starting in FY19