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Subject: Board Consideration: **Permission to Apply for Tobacco Master Settlement Grant**

Hi Kathy and Laura,

The Oregon Health Authority Public Health, Tobacco Prevention and Education Program has made available additional funds from the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement, as designated by the 2013 Legislature. We are requesting permission from the Board to apply for this grant in conjunction with Yamhill CCO. The purpose of this grant, called *SPARC Tobacco-Free*, is to award funding for Local Public Health Authorities (LPHAs) or consortia of LPHAs to implement policy, systems and environmental tobacco prevention strategies grounded in evidence-based practices designed to reduce tobacco use disparities in Oregon.

As the local public health authority (LPHA) we are committed to providing support and technical assistance to our community partners in the areas of Tobacco Prevention, Education and Policy development. YCHHS and Yamhill CCO believe tobacco prevention and cessation services are a top priority. Securing this grant funding will provide an avenue for YCHHS and Yamhill CCO to work together to:

1. Establish policies for non-smoking and tobacco free facilities of medical, behavioral and dental providers.
2. Assist health providers in establishing referral systems to chronic disease self-management courses, the Oregon Tobacco Quit Line and other cessation resources.
3. Assist other social services providers in similar referrals patterns to Tobacco Quit line and increase community participation in strategies to reduce tobacco consumption.

If awarded the grant period will be April 15, 2014 through June 30, 2015. OHA anticipated awarding between three and ten grants to LPHAs ranging in amounts from \$100,000 to \$340,000. Given our population size, we will likely apply for an award between \$100,000-125,000 in order to fund a Health Educator position and necessary program supervision and support. We have sufficient expense authority and if awarded we would need to request the additional position management authority.

Please let me know if you have questions.

Anne, please place this on the Board Agenda for next week's session.

Thanks,

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