

Carolina Rook

From: Lindsey Manfrin
Sent: Friday, February 2, 2024 8:02 AM
To: Ken Huffer; Mary Starrett
Cc: Terry Malay; Layne Pendleton-Baker; Brittany Zylstra-Stanhope; Justin Hogue; Carolina Rook
Subject: Permission to Apply: Family Connects Oregon

Hi Mary and Ken,

I am requesting permission to apply for support from the Oregon Health Authority to implement Family Connects Oregon (FCO). This program is intended to build on existing voluntary home visiting programs, linking families to nurses and community resources, nurturing the whole family and creating a foundation for improved wellbeing across a newborn's lifespan. This program is a primary prevention strategy that offers one or two home visits from a nurse for families with a newborn babies. These visits are universally offered and available for any family that wishes to participate. The program is completely voluntary.

The Family Connects program has shown to:

- Decrease the need for emergency department visits and overnight stays in the hospital
- Decrease child protective services investigations and suspected abuse and neglect cases
- Decrease postpartum depression and anxiety
- Increase safety measures in the home
- Increase community connections

If our application is accepted, I will return to the Board to request approval of funding awarded. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Carolina, please place this request on the next Board Agenda for approval. Suggested Board Agenda language:

"Authorize Yamhill County Health and Human Services to apply for support from the Oregon Health Authority to implement Family Connects Oregon (FCO)."

Thank you,

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