

Attachment B
TDSHS FY2009 Program Synopsis

1. **Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI)** is a program to enhance the planning efforts of local response partners who will have access to the equipment, supplies and medications of the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS). Specifically, CRI provides initial funding for the planning stage to coordinate SNS response activities among the surrounding counties comprising the Metropolitan Service Area. CRI provides the framework to build a response system that allows for the City's increased population during daytime hours, and for standardization of bioterrorism response planning efforts among Bexar, Atascosa, Wilson, Guadalupe, Comal, Kendall, Bandera, and Medina counties. The planning activities include standardizing Point of Dispensing selection, adopting dispensing procedures, dispensing medical materials to treatment centers, controlling SNS inventory, public information and security, as well as uniform coordination of training, exercising and evaluation, and tactical communication, command and control.
2. **Health Service and Education Program** funding supports core public health activities that include health education, community health planning, laboratory services, and community-based chronic disease prevention.
3. **HIV Surveillance Program** enables compliance with a state law that requires HIV and AIDS cases to be reported to the local public health agency. Metro Health's HIV Surveillance Program compiles disease reports from community healthcare providers, laboratories, and hospitals through chart reviews in providers' offices and in hospitals for adult HIV/AIDS disease. Statistical reports are developed and forwarded to the TDSHS central office in Austin. These reports are also used for local analysis of HIV/AIDS disease trends and evaluation of the effectiveness of various local programs
4. **Milk Sample Lab Testing Program** analyzes approximately 5,000 milk samples per year from processing plants located in San Antonio and the surrounding TDSHS Region 8 area. Samples are processed within 48 to 72 hours after collection and tested for bacteria, pasteurization, antibiotics, and excess water
5. **Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)** funding supports the Metro Health's all-hazards emergency preparedness activities and additional Pandemic Influenza Preparedness activities. In conjunction with the Emergency Management Division, City/County First Responders, and local hospital systems, PHEP uses recent exercise outcomes to evaluate existing emergency plans and develop new response systems. This program and plan development is in collaboration with community resources and neighboring counties.
6. **Public Health Preparedness Laboratory** funding under this grant contract is used primarily for the Metro Health Biosafety Level Three (BSL-3) Laboratory opened in 2005. Staff in this facility can rapidly identify terrorist threat agents including smallpox, anthrax, plague, and tularemia, as well as influenza, food borne illnesses and other diseases.
7. **Special TB Team Program** is one of two annual contracts providing patient home visits for directly observed therapy. This consists of administration of anti-tuberculosis medications to patients at home, work and school, and directly observing medication ingestion to ensure compliance with physicians' orders as required by law.
8. **STD Support Program** conducts disease investigation and counseling to control and prevent the spread of sexually transmitted diseases such as syphilis, HIV, gonorrhea, and chlamydia. The program provides diagnosis, treatment and partner notification.

9. ***TB Prevention and Control Program*** is one of two annual contracts to investigate, diagnose and manage suspected or confirmed cases of tuberculosis. TB services are available to residents and visitors of Bexar County. In addition, this activity will receive approximately \$8,800.00 from patient co-payments and Medicaid reimbursements.
10. ***Diabetes Services Program*** is a community-based diabetes prevention and management intervention program, calling for creating evidence-based strategies to impact systems to prevent diabetes. The program targets families in high-risk populations, specifically racial and ethnic minorities who have high rates of diabetes and limited access to health care.
11. ***Title V-Dental*** contract provides funding for preventative dental services to children ages 0-21 who do not qualify for Medicaid or CHIP.
12. ***Title V-Population Based Services*** are aimed at improving the health status of the maternal and child population. The goal is to reduce or eliminate health care disparities for the poor, which often result in low birth weights, teen pregnancies, sexually transmitted disease, and inadequate prenatal care.
13. ***Women, Infants & Children (WIC)*** provides nutritious food, nutrition education, and breastfeeding promotion and support to qualified pregnant, breastfeeding and postpartum women and their infants and children less than five years of age. In addition, funds provided by TDSHS for the WIC program supports a contract in the amount of \$15,000.00 for a certified lactation consultant.
14. ***Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention*** provides prevention education activities for high-risk populations, and collaborates with local physicians and community organizations to conduct lead poisoning prevention activities.