

Benchmark Activity 41.2: The local board of health shall take actions to foster local health department partnership-building efforts and staff interactions with the community.

**Durham County Board of Health
Agenda Item Summary**

Meeting Date: August 4, 2016

Agenda Item Subject: Maternal Child Health grant

Attachment (s): PowerPoint Presentation

Staff or Board Member Reporting: Kim Vuong

Purpose: ___ Action
 X Information only
 ___ Information with possible action

Objectives: To inform the Board of Health of the recently received Improving Community Outcomes for Maternal and Child Health grant and its background, aims, and project partners.

Summary Information:

This presentation provides an overview of the Improving Community Outcomes for Maternal and Child Health grant (ICO4MCH), which was approved and received on June 1st, 2016. The Women and Children’s Health Section of the NC Department of Health and Human Services has allocated funding to be distributed to local health departments to implement evidence-based strategies that are proven to lower infant mortality rates, improve birth outcomes, and improve the overall health status of children ages zero to five. To address these three aims, the Durham County Department of Public Health (DCoDPH) has selected four evidence-based strategies; long acting reversible contraceptives (LARC), tobacco cessation and prevention, Triple P (Positive Parenting Program), and Family Connects Newborn Home Visiting. ICO4MCH also incorporates Collective Impact as one of its aims, which serves as an effective means of collaboration and is a proven approach for helping organizations work together. In accordance with this grant, DCoDPH will maintain a Community Action Team with project partners, stakeholders, organizations, consumers, and other agencies/community members that are invested in the health and well-being of the community. This presentation will summarize the current status of maternal and child health in Durham County and provide details on Collective Impact and each of the four evidence-based strategies that DCoDPH has selected, including the goals of each strategy and the project partners for ICO4MCH.

Recommended Action:

Approve

Approve & forward to Board of Commissioners for action

Approve & forward to _____

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Accept as information

Revise & schedule for future action

Other (details):