

THIS IS A PROPOSED DRAFT AND WILL BE REPLACED BY THE FINAL, SIGNED ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.

AN ORDINANCE

RATIFYING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE COUNCIL FOR STATE AND TERRITORIAL EPIDEMIOLOGISTS (CSTE), APPLIED EPIDEMIOLOGY FELLOWSHIP, AND AUTHORIZING THE ASSIGNMENT OF ONE FELLOW IN THE SAN ANTONIO METROPOLITAN HEALTH DISTRICT FOR A TWO-YEAR PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 2020, AND THE EXECUTION OF NECESSARY DOCUMENTS.

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WHEREAS, the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists implemented the Applied Epidemiology Fellowship program in 2003 to train public health professionals in applied epidemiology and strengthen applied epidemiology capacity within public health institutions at local and state public health departments; and

WHEREAS, the two-year program recruits and trains qualified candidates to support public health initiatives and provide opportunities for new epidemiologists to expand their skills to a level where they function as competent epidemiologists with little or no supervision; and

WHEREAS, each year, the program hosts 20-25 Fellows; and

WHEREAS, Fellows are matched to a state or a local health agency based on their interests and available host site positions; and

WHEREAS, the Applied Epidemiology Fellowship program provides an opportunity for recent masters or doctoral level graduates in epidemiology or a related field to gain experience in public health practice at the state or local level; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance will allow a Fellow to work in the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District's (Metro Health)'s Epidemiology Program to conduct disease investigations and review current epidemiology processes; and

WHEREAS, the Fellow will be available to assist with the delivery of public health services to the community, such as STD/HIV, TB, and Public Health Emergency Preparedness, as well as assist the department in performance improvement initiatives and public health accreditation efforts; and

WHEREAS, this would be the first year that Metro Health hosts an Applied Epidemiology Fellow; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The submission of an application to the Council for State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE), Applied Epidemiology Fellowship is ratified and the assignment of one Fellow in the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District for a two-year period beginning July 2020 is hereby authorized. A copy of said application which is incorporated herein for all purposes is on file with the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District.

SECTION 2. The City Manager or designee or the Director of the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District or designee is further authorized to execute any and all necessary documents to effectuate said application and the assignment of said Fellow in the San Antonio Metropolitan Health District referenced in Section 1 of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. [FINANCIAL LANGUAGE PENDING]

SECTION 4. The financial allocations in this Ordinance are subject to approval by the Deputy Chief Financial Officer, City of San Antonio. The Deputy Chief Financial Officer may, subject to concurrence by the City Manager or the City Manager's designee, correct allocations to specific Cost Centers, WBS Elements, Internal Orders, General Ledger Accounts, and Fund Numbers as necessary to carry out the purpose of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance is effective immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise, it is effective ten days after passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this ____ day of _____.

**M A Y O R
Ron Nirenberg**

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney