

Authorizing an Agreement with the UT Health Science Center San Antonio School of Dentistry

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Background

- Metro Health's Oral Health Program provides limited oral evaluations, fluoride applications and sealants to children throughout the City and in Bexar County.
- Of the approximately 25,000 30,000 children served annually
 - 95% are on Medicaid or do not have insurance.
 - More than 50% have dental caries and are not accessing routine dental services.



Background

- Metro Health partners with the local UT (UTHSCSA) School of Dentistry to provide services to patients with urgent needs, including oral surgery.
- Metro Health requests approval of a contract to expand services being provided by UTHSCSA School of Dentistry to include those children requiring local sedation in order to obtain treatment.
- These expanded services will provide more than 2,000 children who have urgent needs with immediate care and a dental home.



Fiscal Impact

- This agreement with the UTHSCSA School of Dentistry will be paid on a fee-for-service basis in an amount up to \$25,000.
- Funding for this contract is available through funding by Metro Health's Head Start programs.
- There is not impact to the General Fund.



Recommendation

 Staff recommends approval of an Ordinance authorizing an agreement with the UTHSCSA School of Dentistry for specialty dental services.