

## Promising Practices Grant Acceptance

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Congenital Syphilis is a disease that occurs when a pregnant person with syphilis passes the infection to the fetus during pregnancy.

## **Bexar County:**

2012 – 2017: 49 reported cases

2018: 61 reported cases.

The Healthy Beats Program (HBP) is a Metro Health initiative to provide prenatal case management to decrease congenital syphilis in Bexar County





**ISSUE:** Metro Health requests City Council approve the acceptance of funds from NACCHO to support promising practices in the prevention of congenital syphilis.

**AIMS:** Metro Heath will use funding to provide advertising, printing, and publications to educate community of need for syphilis testing and treatment to prevent of congenital syphilis.

**ALTERNATIVES:** Without these funds, Metro Health will be unable to provide advertising, printing, and publications to educate community of need for syphilis testing and treatment to prevent of congenital syphilis.



**Term:** This ordinance approves the acceptance of funds from NACCHO for the Promising Practices grant in the amount of \$25,000.00 beginning March 1, 2020 through March 28, 2021.

**General Fund:** There is no impact on the General Fund.







Staff recommends City Council approve the acceptance of funds from NACCHO for the Promising Practices grant with approval to execute the grant documents.

- Not to exceed \$25,000.00
- For a term of March 1, 2020 –
  March 28, 2021