

Grant and Contract-Funded Activities; Update: January, 2019

1. New and Updated Grants & Contracts, FY 2019

A. NEW -Since January

Vial of Life Program	
Funding Agency	CT Office of Rural Health
Grant Funding Period	April – June 1, 2019
Current Grant Year	Year 1 of 1
Funding Amount	\$5,372
Purpose	Prepare and distribute Vial of Life kits to first responders and other community partners/community members to ensure that important medical information is readily available (in/on refrigerator) for family members, first responders or others.
Plan	Supplies will be purchased by NDDH, kits will be assembled. Kits will be given to PH partners. All activities of the grant will be completed by June 1, 2019. There will be sufficient kits to continue to distribute at health fairs after June 1, 2019.
Assigned Staff	Director, Finance Manager and Intern/volunteer.
Status	This is a reimbursement program.
Predicted Continuity or Sustainability	This is a one-time-only funding opportunity, but resources will likely last for years.

Opioid Community Prevention Activities ** Funds will be received in FY2020	
Funding Agency	CT DPH
Grant Funding Period	April 2019 – August 2019
Current Grant Year	Year 1 of 1
Funding Amount	\$10,000
Purpose	Community-based opioid prevention activities
Plan	Hold community education/training events, conduct public information and media campaign, post information on NDDH website
Assigned Staff	DoH and Public Health Nurse
Status	Preparatory work in progress, events will be held before August.
Predicted Continuity or Sustainability	This is a one-time-only funding opportunity.

B. NEW 2019: July - January

Fall Prevention – Increased Award	
Funding Agency	Yale University Fall Prevention Program
Grant Funding Period	1 Year (This is the fourth year of funding.)
Current Grant Year	July 2018 – June 2019
Funding Amount	\$22,200 (an increase of \$5K above budget expectations)
Purpose	Prevent falls and fall-related health problems among at-risk elderly.
Plan	Targeted community education; outreach; coalition building; establishment of community-clinical linkages.
Assigned Staff	Public Health Nurse, Education & Communications Coordinator
Status	Activities are ongoing.
Predicted Continuity or Sustainability	NDDH has continually been recognized for exemplary performance suggesting that renewed funding is likely—with the caveat that Statewide, grant funding opportunities are shrinking

NEW Tobacco Cessation Contract	
Funding Agency	From CT DPH through UNCAS Health District
Grant Funding Period	1 Year: September 2018 – August 2019
Funding Amount	\$12,500
Purpose	Tobacco cessation classes and nicotine replacement therapy
Assigned Staff	Public Health Nurse, Education & Communications Coordinator
Status	PHN trained, classes planned, advertising initiated = on track.
Predicted Continuity or Sustainability	Unknown at this early stage

NEW HealthQuest Contribution	
Funding Agency	From HealthQuest Coalition
Grant Funding Period	Ongoing
Funding Amount	\$2,400
Purpose	HQ coordinator salary
Assigned Staff	Education & Communications Coordinator
Status	Quarterly meetings taking place
Predicted Continuity or Sustainability	Unknown at this early stage

2. Ongoing Grants and Contracts

Obesity Prevention/Public Health Block Grant (PHBG)	
Funding Agency	Federal Block Grant Funds through CT DPH to NDDH
Grant Funding Period	3 Years: October 2015 – Sept 2018 EXTENDED through Sept 2019
Current Grant Year	Year 4: October 2018 – September 2019
Funding Amount	\$21,265 per year
Purpose	Policy and environmental change for disease prevention.
Plan	Work with public health partners to increase access to healthy foods & opportunities for physical activity and decrease tobacco use through policy and environmental change.
Assigned Staff	Education & Communications Coordinator, Environmental Health
Status	Awaiting contract from State
Predicted Continuity or Sustainability	Funding is expected to continue for duration of Contract. Federal Block Grant funds for public health are expected to continue beyond July 2019 with restrictions on types of projects/programs. It is expected that NDDH will have capacity to meet new requirements.

Medical Reserve Corps	
Funding Agency	UNCAS Health District
Grant Funding Period	1 Year
Current Grant Year	July 2018 – June 2019
Funding Amount	\$5,000
Purpose	Build volunteer workforce capacity to address events of public health concern.
Plan	Activities to recruit, train and retain volunteers. Includes outreach to school nurses.
Assigned Staff	Public Health Nurse, Environmental Health Specialist
Status	Ongoing activities and increasing number of trained volunteers.
Predicted Continuity or Sustainability	Funding for FY 2019 is expected. Amount may decrease (5-10%). Funder is not obligated to share funding with NDDH and might instead use funds for their own staff to deliver regional services.

Public Health Preparedness (various contracts)	
Funding Agency	Federal funds to CT DPH to Ledge Light Health District to NDDH
Grant Funding Period	2 Years
Current Grant Year	Year 2: July 2018 – June 2019
Funding Amount	\$58,327/year
Purpose	Develop preparedness capacity in conformance with State and federal requirements.
Plan	Address priority areas (specified by DPH) for state/national preparedness. Improving capacity to communicate to a variety of audiences with unstable resources is an NDDH priority.
Assigned Staff	Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, Public Health Nurse, Education & Communications Coordinator
Status	Ongoing
Predicted Continuity or Sustainability	The State plans major changes that will limit the number of entities conducting this work State-wide. Regional groups are beginning discussions to establish recommendations for the State. NDDH is in a relatively strong position to continue to receive funding to address needs specific to NE CT. If the State begins efforts to consolidate services, there may be a need for advocacy at the Board and legislative levels.

Emergency Response and Coordination Sub-Contract	
Contract with:	Eastern Highlands Health District
Contract Period	March 2018 - June 30, 2019
Funding Amount	Approximately \$39,234.56. Actual amount will vary slightly based on mileage (estimated ≤ \$700).
Plan	NDDH Preparedness Coordinator work at EHHD ~20 hours per week. EHHD shares equally in payroll, benefits, mileage and is assessed an admin fee. It is anticipated that this approach will be more efficient and will improve regional capacity—which is a deliverable for DPH.
Work Requirement	Improve preparedness capacity for EHHD in conformance with State and Federal requirements. (Same as NDDH grant described above.)
Assigned Staff	Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator
Status	Tested this approach from March-May and entered into an agreement to continue through FY 2019.
Predicted Continuity or Sustainability	It is anticipated that this cooperative plan to share a preparedness person will continue indefinitely. The terms of the contract will change from year-to-year or as necessary based on funding levels and costs to NDDH – including regular salary/payroll and benefit changes.

State per Capita	
Funding Agency	CT DPH/CT State Legislature
Grant Funding Period	July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019
Funding Amount	\$ 138,778.30
Purpose	Delivery of Essential Public Health Services. Specifically: EPHS 1: Monitoring of health status - including disease reports - to identify and solve community health problems EPHS 3: Informing, educating and empowering persons in the community concerning health issues; EPHS 5: Developing policies (including local ordinances) and plans (including strategic and emergency preparedness plans that support individual and community health
Assigned Staff	Director of Health, Education & Communications Coordinator, Public Health Nurse
Status	Funds for FY 2019 have been received. Services are being conducted on an ongoing basis.
Predicted Continuity or Sustainability	Funding formula are in CT General Statutes. Changes may occur over time with new administration.

3. Grants and Contracts Funding Allocations

A. Staff-Time Assigned to Grant/Contract-Funded Activities

- Public Health Nurse: 26.72 hours per week (76% grant/contract funded)
- Public Health Emergency Preparedness Coordinator: 40 hours per week (100% grant/contract-funded)
- Health Education & Communications Coordinator: 32.82 hours per week (82% grant/contract-funded)
- Director of Health: 15 hours per week (37.5% grant/contract funded)
- Less than 3% of total Environmental Health staff time is funded through grants/contracts.

B. Other Uses of Grant Funds

- Other uses are defined by the terms of Grant/contracts. For example, funders may require the purchase of equipment or participation in specified events.
- In general, 10% of grant funds can be used to cover indirect costs including administrative oversight and overhead.

4. Progress towards Goal of Procuring Additional \$12,472:

- To date we have brought in an additional \$25,272 for the FY 2019 budget (203% of goal). This does not include the \$10K for Opioid Prevention).
- Note: a late payment of PHEP funds (paid in FY19 instead of FY18) will increase FY19 grant income by \$5,800. Which will bring us to \$31,072 (249% of goal).