

HENNEPIN COUNTY

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FINAL COMMITTEE AGENDA

HEALTH COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2026

1:30 PM

Chair: Angela Conley, District 4
ViceChair: Kevin Anderson, District 7
Members: Jeff Lunde, District 1
Irene Fernando, District 2
Marion Greene, District 3
Debbie Goettel, District 5
Heather Edelson, District 6

1. Minutes from Previous Meeting

1.A. March 10, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [HE-COMMITTEEMINUTES-10-Mar-2026](#)

2. New Business

Routine Items

2.A. [26-0108](#)

Amd 4 to Agmt A177032 with Availity LLC, to provide electronic data interchange transactions services, 08/01/17-07/31/29, incr NTE by \$126,000 for a new total NTE of \$258,000

2.B. [26-0109](#)

Agmt A2513067 through HRSA for the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part A Emergency Relief Project grant, 03/01/26-02/28/27, \$1,680,991 (recv)

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Board Action Request

TMP-26-0280

Item Description:

March 10, 2026 Meeting Minutes

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COMMITTEE MINUTES

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Commissioner Angela Conley, Chair, called the meeting of the Health Committee for Tuesday, March 10, 2026 to order at 2:57 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Angela Conley, Commissioner Heather Edelson, Commissioner Jeff Lunde, Commissioner Irene Fernando, Commissioner Marion Greene, Commissioner Debbie Goettel and Commissioner Kevin Anderson

1. Minutes from Previous Meeting

1.A. February 5, 2026 Meeting Minutes

APPROVE

Commissioner Irene Fernando moved, seconded by Commissioner Heather Edelson, to approve the Minutes.

Aye: Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Edelson, Commissioner Lunde, Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Greene, Commissioner Goettel and Commissioner Anderson

2. New Business

Routine Items

2.A. [26-0078](#)

Amd 3 to Agmt PR00000924 with Mercury Healthcare, Inc. dba WebMD Ignite to provide Hennepin Health members with access to an online health encyclopedia and video library that contains evidence-based topics, in English and Spanish languages, ext end date to 03/31/27, incr NTE by \$23,155 for a new total NTE of \$183,920

CONSENT

Commissioner Irene Fernando moved, seconded by Commissioner Heather Edelson, to approve the Resolution.

Aye: Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Edelson, Commissioner Lunde, Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Greene, Commissioner Goettel and Commissioner Anderson

Items for Discussion and Action

2.B. [26-0079](#)

Adopt proposed amendments to Hennepin County Ordinance 9 - Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Section VII, Subsection 1: Staffing; and revised names and definitions in the ordinance, as written

SUBSTITUTE

Commissioner Angela Conley moved, seconded by Commissioner Debbie Goettel, to substitute the Resolution.

Aye: Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Edelson, Commissioner Lunde, Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Greene, Commissioner Goettel and Commissioner Anderson

[26-0079 S1](#)

CONSENT

Commissioner Angela Conley moved, seconded by Commissioner Debbie Goettel, to approve the Resolution.

Aye: Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Edelson, Commissioner Lunde, Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Greene, Commissioner Goettel and Commissioner Anderson

There being no further business, the Health Committee for Tuesday, March 10, 2026 was declared adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

Maria Rose
Clerk to the County Board

Board Action Request

26-0108

Item Description:

Amd 4 to Agmt A177032 with Availity LLC, to provide electronic data interchange transactions services, 08/01/17-07/31/29, incr NTE by \$126,000 for a new total NTE of \$258,000

Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Amendment 4 to Agreement A177032 with Availity LLC to provide electronic data interchange (EDI) transactions for the period of August 1, 2017, through July 31, 2029, increasing the not to exceed amount by \$126,000 for a new total not to exceed amount of \$258,000 be approved; that the Chair of the Board be authorized to sign the Agreement on behalf of the County; and that the Controller be authorized to dispense funds as directed.

Background:

Agreement A177032 with Availity LLC is to provide electronic data interchange (EDI) transactions services. Due to an incident with a Hennepin Health pre-processing vendor, the number of Hennepin Health transactions going through Availity has increased.

This Amendment 4 increases the NTE by \$126,000. The new NTE is \$258,000.

This board action request aligns with Hennepin County disparity reduction efforts to improve access to culturally specific/sensitive health services and increase community well-being.

Recommendation from County Administrator: Recommend Approval

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Board Action Request

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Item Description:

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Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Agreement A2513067 with the US Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Service Administration (HRSA) for the fiscal year 2026 federal Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part A Emergency Relief Project grant for the 13-county Minneapolis- St. Paul Transitional Grant Area during the period March 1, 2026 through February 28, 2027, in the receivable amount of \$1,680,991, be approved; that the Chair of the Board be authorized to serve as the Chief Elected Official for the grant; and that the Controller be authorized to accept and disburse funds as directed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that acceptance of this award in no way reflects acceptance of terms or conditions that are legally unenforceable against Hennepin County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sponsorship and acceptance of grant funding for the program by the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners does not imply a continued commitment by Hennepin County for this program when grant funds are no longer available; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Public Health department 2026 revenue and expenditure budget be increased by \$1,400,825 for the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part A Emergency Relief Project grant.

Background:

Hennepin County is the eligible recipient for the federal Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) Part A Emergency Project grant for the 13-county Transitional Grant Area (TGA) as defined by the federal Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program legislation under Title XXVI of the U.S. Public Health Service Act. The RWHAP legislation, originally known as the Ryan White CARE Act, was passed by Congress in 1990. The legislation has been reauthorized by Congress four times in 1996, 2000, 2006, and 2009. Hennepin County became eligible for Part A funding in 1995 based on the number of cumulative AIDS cases in the most recent five-year period and the number of prevalent AIDS cases in the 13-county Minneapolis-St. Paul Metropolitan Statistical Area as defined in 1995.

The Chair of the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners is the designated Chief Elected Official (CEO) for the grant and assures that the grant requirements and conditions of award are met. As the grant CEO, the Chair of the Board appoints members of the Minnesota Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention, a community planning body which prioritizes the services funded by the grant and allocates grant funds to those services based on the needs of people with HIV living in the jurisdiction and the demographics of the HIV epidemic. The Minnesota Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention membership must reflect the demographics of the local HIV epidemic, where at least 33% of members are people with HIV who are eligible for services and not aligned with any funded provider organization. The CEO designates the Public Health Department to administer the grant with the Ryan White Program unit within the Public Health Protection Area responsible for grant administrative functions including procurement of services, program and fiscal

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monitoring, convening and supporting the Minnesota Council for HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention, grant application preparation and submission, and grant reporting.

The RWHAP provides comprehensive and culturally responsive HIV core medical and supportive services to low-income people with HIV residing in the 13-county grant jurisdiction. Hennepin County's Part A grant currently provides funding to 14 clinic and community-based organizations that provide 12 core medical and supportive services to 4,000 people with HIV in the grant jurisdiction. Core medical services include early intervention and outpatient ambulatory health services; medical case management; mental health and outpatient substance use disorder treatment; medical nutrition therapy; and home and community-based health services. Supportive services include housing assistance, food bank and home delivered meals; psychosocial support; health education and risk reduction; and legal services. Through Board Resolution 25-0397 Hennepin County Public Health accepted \$6,129,008 in receivables from the US Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Service Administration (HRSA) for the fiscal year 2025.

This request supports disparity elimination in the health domain by providing funding to deliver comprehensive and culturally responsive HIV core medical and supportive services to low-income people with HIV residing in the 13-county grant jurisdiction.

APEX Information:

Fund: 20

Dept ID: 536399

Project ID: 1008674

Activity Code: FY26

Account: 42060

Amount: \$1,680,991

Recommendation from County Administrator: Recommend Approval