



**Request for City Council Committee Action
From the Health Department**

Date: December 11, 2013

To: PUBLIC SAFETY, CIVIL RIGHTS & HEALTH COMMITTEE

Subject: PRACTICUM AGREEMENT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK FOR THE SCHOOL BASED CLINIC PROGRAM

Recommendation:

That the proper City officials be authorized to execute an internship agreement with the University of Minnesota School of Social Work for practicum students enrolled in their Masters program to receive a counseling practicum experience through the School Based Clinic Program as the training site. Agreements will be automatically renewed annually unless discontinued by either party.

Previous Directives: None

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Gretchen Musicant, Commissioner of Health

Permanent Review Committee (PRC): Approval ____ Not Applicable X
Policy Review Group (PRG) Approval ____ Date of Approval ____ Not Applicable X

Presenters in Committee: Gretchen Musicant, Commissioner of Health

Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

X No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information).

Background/Supporting Information Attached

The Department is requesting to enter into an internship agreement with the University to allow for the School Based Clinic (SBC) Program to be a practicum training site for Master's level graduate students in social work. These internships provide both invaluable clinical training for the students and also serve to increase the capacity of the SBC program to serve the ever growing mental health needs of the high school students served. These internships are unpaid and City costs are related to staff supervision of the graduate students.