



COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

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DATE: 03/07/2023

SUBJECT: RECEIVE AND FILE AWARD LETTER FROM THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF STATE AND TERRITORIAL EPIDEMIOLOGIST FOR ACCEPTANCE INTO THE DATA SCIENCE TRAINING PROGRAM

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court receive and file an Award Letter from the National Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologist (CSTE) for the Tarrant County Public Health Department's (TCPH) acceptance into the CSTE Data Science Training Program (DSTT).

BACKGROUND

TCPH has been accepted to the CSTE DSTT program for the program year (PY) 2023. DSTT is a team-based, on-the job training program to promote data science upskilling at public health agencies. TCPH team members that are in the program work collaboratively on a project that addresses a current agency need related to Data Modernization Initiative (DMI). To support their learning, these individuals will all be provided access to the Coursera online learning program.

TCPH team members will have access to a training stipend, or professional development allowance, of \$10,000.00. These funds will be distributed via reimbursement for approved expenses. Approved expenses may include but are not limited to training, books, and other DMI related expenditures, to achieve project goals. All purchases must be made no later than December 31, 2023. There is no penalty for unspent funds.

FISCAL IMPACT

All associated costs will be paid from a new grant fund that will be assigned by the Auditor's Office after grant contract approval from Commissioners Court. The associated administrative cost will be minimum. No additional operating funds will be utilized.

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