



**Early Learning Coalition of Southwest Florida, Inc.  
May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2006 Board Action**

**Date:** May 12, 2006  
**Subject:** Health Services Contracts  
**Requested Action:** To approve the Health Services contracts for Lee, Collier and Hendry/Glades counties.

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**References:** Section 411.01(2)(a), F.S.,

**Background:** This fiscal year 2005-2006 we have two (2) full time nurses and one and half (1 ½) screeners providing health services including vision and hearing screening to the four counties we serve. Next fiscal year we propose to contract the health services separately to the individual health Departments in the respective counties. In addition we propose decreasing the staff time to 10 months because most of the activities occur during the 10 months of the school year and this will allow us to utilize available dollars on a half time nurse devoted to Hendry/Glades counties. This contract relationship allows the providers and families that we serve to have a local Health Department nurse for consults and training in addition to the screenings, someone who is at the center of health information in their particular county.

This current year we budgeted about \$148,000.00 for health services personnel including the Coalition's Director of Health Services, the proposed budget with these contracts would total \$156,640.00 without the Coalitions Director of Health services. The Director of Health salary and benefits will be transferred to the Administrative Budget.

The Health Services Committee and the Quality committee have reviewed and approved this proposal.

**Recommendation:** The executive director and members of the executive board recommend the contracts be approved and accepted.

**Additional Documentation:** N/A

**ELC-SWF Board:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Approved**      \_\_\_\_\_ **Not-Approved**

**Comments:**

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2006

**Implementation Date:** July 1, 2006