

February 26, 2025

To: Mayor and Members of City Council 202500316
From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager
Subject: Ordinance – Health: Get Vaccinated OHIO Grant

Attached is an Ordinance captioned:

AUTHORIZING the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$298,869 from the Ohio Department of Health Get Vaccinated OHIO Public Health Initiative (ALN 93.268) to support activities that will increase immunization rates in children under two years of age, school-aged children, and adolescents; and **AUTHORIZING** the Director of Finance to receive and deposit the grant resources into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8556.

This Ordinance authorizes the City Manager to apply for, accept, and appropriate a grant of up to \$298,869 from the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) Get Vaccinated OHIO Public Health Initiative (ALN 93.268) to support activities that will increase immunization rates in children under two years of age, school-aged children, and adolescents. This Ordinance further authorizes the Finance Director to deposit the grant funds into Public Health Research Fund revenue account no. 350x8556.

The grant activities include immunization assessment, targeted reminders and recall, identifying disparities for low immunization levels, educational activities involving families and providers, ensuring schools report on vaccination rates and school education, and ensuring the vaccination of high-risk infants exposed to hepatitis B disease as methods of increasing immunization rates for both public and private immunization providers.

There are no new FTEs/full time equivalents associated with this grant and no local match is required.

The Cincinnati Health Department applied for this grant on January 23, 2025, but no grant funds will be accepted without approval from the City Council.

Acceptance of this grant is in accordance with the “Sustain” goal to “[b]ecome a healthier Cincinnati” as described on pages 181-192 of Plan Cincinnati (2012).

The Administration recommends passage of this Ordinance.

cc: Andrew M. Dudas, Budget Director
Karen Alder, Finance Director



Attachment