Davis COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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Medical Director Contract (2014-98 & 2014-98-C)

The Local Health Officer is required by rule (R380-40-5(6)) to appoint a medical director licensed to practice medicine or osteopathy in Utah to supervise and be accountable for medical practice conducted by the local health department employees.

The medical director provides the following:

a) Act as a consultant to the Health Department on medical and clinical issues such as immunizations, communicable diseases, and health issues.
b) Reviews, signs, and supervises the development of clinical and medical protocols.
c) Acts as an advisor and consultant to the Health Director.
d) Provides medical consultation to the Environmental and Emergency Response Programs.
e) Provides consultation and guidance in the event of an emergency or other disaster.
f) Provide other services as deemed necessary to provide adequate medical consultation to the Health Department.

The current contract has been in place since 2014 and was renewed in 2020. It is currently set to expire December 31, 2022. It has been requested that all contracts be reviewed every 5 years. As part of the review, we are required to ensure that the cost of the services provided by the medical director are appropriate and competitive.

We surveyed the 13 Local Health Departments to gather cost for comparison and are as follows:

• Davis County Health Department	$12,000 / Year
• Tooele County Health Department	$2,400 / Year
• Tri-County Health Department	$6,000 / Year
• Wasatch County Health Department	$3,600 / Year
• Weber/Morgan Health Department*	$16,500 / Year
• Bear River Health Department	$6,500 / Year
• Central Health Department	$6,000 / Year
• Salt Lake County Health Department*	Estimate $85,000 - Health Director/Medical Director
• Utah County Health Department*	$45,000 - $68,000 / Year + Liability Insurance ($5,000)
• Southwest Health Department	Estimate $15,000 - Health Director/Medical Director
• Southeast Health Department	$6,000 / Year
• San Juan County Health Department	No Response
• Summit County Health Department	$2400 / Year

*The best comparisons to Davis County in population and clinical services are Salt Lake County, Utah County, and Weber/Morgan Health Departments.

The Department would like to renew this contract with our current medical director for additional 5 years. In addition, we would like to adjust the contract amount to $15,600 ($3600 Increase). This bump in the contract amount is due to increase workload and oversight we would like the medical director to take on. This majority of additional work and oversight would be our travel immunization program.

We currently have agreement with the University of Utah – School of Medicine to provide medical oversight for our Travel Immunizations program. The contract requires us to remit 50% of the counseling fees collected each year. In 2019 we paid the University $35,635 and in 2022 $9,880 (YTD). These cost would be saved with the exception of the increased amount ($3600) needed to adjust the new contract costs for the medical director.