



Decision Letter

Board of Health

HL20.9	ACTION	Amended		Ward:All
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Requests for Increased Funding and Focused Funding for Priority Populations - Toronto Urban Health Fund

Board Decision

The Board of Health:

1. Referred the following Recommendation 1 in the letter (May 29, 2017) from the 2017 Toronto Urban Health Fund Review Panel to the City's Budget Committee for consideration with the 2018 Budget Process:

"1. The Board of Health increase the annual Toronto Urban Health Fund funding by 15 percent for the next funding cycle."

2. Requested the Medical Officer of Health to consult with the community to ensure funding reflects a priority population focus that includes the prioritization of African Caribbean and Black communities in all three Toronto Urban Health Fund funding streams.

3. Directed the Medical Officer of Health to conduct an evaluation of the Application, Review and Allocation process and service enhancement plan to ensure the funding and support for the HIV Prevention Stream for priority populations, in advance of the second round of Toronto Urban Health Fund (TUHF) three-year funding that includes consultation with:

- a. agencies (approved and unsuccessful)
- b. agencies that dropped out of applying; and
- c. the Toronto Urban Health Fund Review Panel.

such evaluation to be reported to the November 2018 meeting of the Board of Health with recommendations on how to:

1. improve the application process to ensure greater equity;
2. create an enhanced and more user-friendly application website;
3. provide timely, constructive and meaningful feedback to agencies on the funding applications; and
4. ensure geographic equity.

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Board of Health considered Items HL20.6 and HL20.9 together.

Origin

(May 29, 2017) Letter from the Toronto Urban Health Fund Review Panel

Summary

The Toronto Urban Health Fund Review Panel, on May 23, 2017, considered Item HF9.1- Review of Appeals to the 2017 Toronto Urban Health Fund Grants and among other things, made the above recommendations to the Board of Health.

Project funding recommendations will be submitted to the Board of Health in a separate report from the Chair, Toronto Urban Health Fund Review Panel.

Background Information

(May 29, 2017) Letter from the Toronto Urban Health Fund Review Panel on Requests for Increased Funding and Focused Funding for Priority Populations - Toronto Urban Health Fund (<http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2017/hl/bgrd/backgroundfile-104476.pdf>)