



Fulton County

Legislation Text

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Department

Senior Services

Requested Action

Request approval for the Fulton County Department of Senior Services and Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities to provide a letter of support as a collaborator with Christian City and Two Sparrows Village National Institutes of Health (NIH) ComPASS grant application to fund the Lifespan Engagement & Educational Ecosystem Tool (LET). Effective upon Board approval. **(APPROVED)**

Requirement for Board Action:

In accordance with Fulton County Code § 1-117, the Board of Commissioners has exclusive jurisdiction and control to exercise such powers as are granted by law, or are indispensable to their jurisdiction over county matters.

Strategic Priority Area related to this item

Health and Human Services

Commission Districts Affected

- All Districts ☒
- District 1 ☐
- District 2 ☐
- District 3 ☐
- District 4 ☐
- District 5 ☐
- District 6 ☐

Is this a purchasing item?

No

Summary & Background The Department of Senior of Services and Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities recommend approval to provide a letter of support as a collaborator for a grant application to fund the Lifespan Engagement & Educational Ecosystem Tool (LET), an applications and web-based guide to resources available to parents of adult children living with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDDs). The LET project will be supported by video and interactive content, including chat bots and eventually Virtual Reality technical assistance. The LET project will advance equity for both caregivers and their children with IDD, helping both populations improve access to healthcare. Specifically, the 100 households target catchment for the

project will focus on providing 65% of the resources to enroll caregivers in the sandwich generation of raising children living with IDD's who may also be caregivers for their parents. The LET initiative - a health-equity structural intervention - is designed to impact a gap which perpetuates health disparities.

The letter of support enables the Department of Senior Services and Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities to host Life Plan eligibility workshops and clinics onsite at Fulton County Adult Day Health and Senior Multipurpose Centers, including the HJC Bowden, Helene S. Mills, Harriett G. Darnell and Dorothy C. Benson facilities; host meeting space for Focus Groups on the LET approach and to gather needs/asset assessments and model LET applications prototypes with input from, and to provide training to, older adults and their I/DD care partners on the LET project and/or application.

Scope of Work: NA

Community Impact: NA

Department Recommendation: The Department of Senior Services and the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities recommend approval of the letter of support.

Project Implications: NA

Community Issues/Concerns: NA

Department Issues/Concerns: NA

Exhibits Attached

Exhibit 1: Letter of Support

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