That the Board of County Commissioners ratify the Clark County Coroner/Medical Examiner’s Sudden Death in the Young (SDY) Registry grant award from the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) and authorize the Coroner or his designee to sign the grant document related thereto and accept funds awarded. (For possible action)

FISCAL IMPACT:

Fund #: 2031.0000  Fund Name: County Grants
Fund Center: 1230520000  Funded Pgm/Grant: 1230.CDCSDY.2019
Description: Coroner Administration  Amount: $90,300

Added Comments: Award is a continuation of CDC funding for statewide Child Death Review (CDR) data to be collected, uploaded into the national registry, and analyzed to prevent further child deaths. The award period is 9/30/18 through 9/29/19. No matching funds required.

BACKGROUND:

The Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (NVHSS) designated the Clark County Office of the Coroner/Medical Examiner (CCOCME) as their bona fide agent to coordinate all CDR teams in Nevada in order to become one of the few states nationwide participating in the SDY Registry. The program is designed to track all deaths in young persons in order to identify risk factors and develop/implement strategies aimed at reducing future child deaths.

The CDCSDY grant is intended to enhance the existing surveillance system to comprehensively identify SDY cases in infants and children and build upon existing CDR programs statewide in Nevada. This grant program would fund a contractual consultant and part-time assistant to manage the program and serve as the state liaison, data collector, and data upload coordinator on child deaths in Nevada. Funds would also be utilized on vendors for epidemiology, data analysis, and travel for in-state coordination meetings with all State CDR teams and its executive committee.

Based upon the previous successes of CCOCME participation in federal and state grant programs, it is recommended the Board approve the ratification of federal grant #1 NU38DP000004-01-00 and accept the funds awarded on behalf of the Coroner.
Respectfully submitted,

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