

Budget Detail Request - Fiscal Year 2016-17

Your request will not be officially submitted unless all questions and applicable sub parts are answered.

1. Title of Project: Specialty Children's Hospital Academics Program
2. Date of Submission: 12/10/2015
3. House Member Sponsor(s): Danny Burgess

4. DETAILS OF AMOUNT REQUESTED:

- a. Has funding been provided in a previous state budget for this activity? No
If answer to 4a is ?NO? skip 4b and 4c and proceed to 4d
- b. What is the most recent fiscal year the project was funded?
- c. Were the funds provided in the most recent fiscal year subsequently vetoed? No
- d. Complete the following Project Request Worksheet to develop your request (Note that Column E will be the total of Recurring funds requested and Column F will be the total Nonrecurring funds requested, the sum of which is the Total of the Funds you are requesting in Column G):

FY:	Input Prior Year Appropriation for this project for FY 2015-16 (If appropriated in FY 2015-16 enter the appropriated amount, even if vetoed.)			Develop New Funds Request for FY 2016-17 (If no new Recurring or Nonrecurring funding is requested, enter zeros.)			
	Column: A	B	C	D	E	F	G
Funds Description:	Prior Year Recurring Funds	Prior Year Nonrecurring Funds	Total Funds Appropriated (Recurring plus Nonrecurring: Column A + Column B)	Recurring Base Budget (Will equal non-vetoed amounts provided in Column A)	INCREASED or NEW Recurring Requested	TOTAL Nonrecurring Requested (Nonrecurring is one time funding & must be re-requested every year)	Total Funds Requested Over Base Funding (Recurring plus Nonrecurring: Column E + Column F)
Input Amounts:					200,000	0	200,000

- e. New Nonrecurring Funding Requested for FY 16-17 will be used for:
 Operating Expenses Fixed Capital Construction Other one-time costs
- f. New Recurring Funding Requested for FY 16-17 will be used for:
 Operating Expenses Fixed Capital Construction Other one-time costs

5. Requester:

- a. Name: Amy Maguire
- b. Organization: All Children's Hospital Johns Hopkins Medicine
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6. Organization or Name of Entity Receiving Funds:

- a. Name: All Children's Hospital Johns Hopkins Medicine
- b. County (County where funds are to be expended) Pinellas
- c. Service Area (Counties being served by the service(s) provided with funding) Statewide

7. Write a project description that will serve as a stand-alone summary of the project for legislative review. The description should summarize the entire project's intended purpose, the purpose of the funds requested (if request is a sub-part of the entire project), and most importantly the detail on how the funds requested will be spent - for example how much will be spent on positions and associated salaries, specifics on capital costs, and detail of operational expenses. The summary must list what local, regional or statewide interests or areas are served. It should also document the need for the funds, the community support and expected results when applicable. Be sure to include the type and amount of services as well as the number of the specific target population that will be served (such as number of home health visits to X, # of elderly, # of school aged children to receive mentoring, # of violent crime victims to receive once a week counseling etc.)

Students in the State of Florida who have been deemed eligible for homebound or hospitalized program services are considered students with a disability (In accordance with Section 1003.01, Florida Statutes). These students are entitled to a free appropriate public education, defined by the US Dept. of Education as including programs designed to meet their individual needs, equal quality of services to those provided to non-disabled students, teachers trained in the instruction of individuals with disabilities and comparable facilities and materials.

As one of only three statutorily defined children's only hospitals in Florida, All Children's Hospital Johns Hopkins Medicine is dedicated to caring for the state's sickest children. We provide access to over 50 pediatric specialties, and are the most advanced children's hospital on Florida's West Coast. All Children's is the state's highest provider of Medicaid services, with approximately 70 percent of our patients benefitting from Medicaid, many because of the severity of their illness. Last year, we performed more pediatric heart transplants and pediatric bone marrow transplants than any other hospital in Florida. Our population of patients additionally includes children with chronic illnesses such as cystic fibrosis, neurological disorders, congenital heart disease, kidney disease, cancer, and sickle cell. In treating very sick children, the length of stay for patients in our hospital is significant. Our patients may be in our hospital for weeks and months at a time, or several days in frequent spurts throughout the year depending on the illness. Last year alone, we had more than 2,400 students qualify for hospital homebound services due to their illnesses requiring lengthy or frequent hospital stays.

Unfortunately, children and youth suffering with acute and chronic illnesses and who are hospitalized for extended periods of time are not receiving adequate educational services, and have limited continuity of instruction: leading to apathy about school, frustration within the family, decreased quality of life, and

decreased graduation rates. Students may enroll in their county's hospital homebound program, Florida Virtual School, transfer to the Pinellas County school district, or a family can choose to home school. Each of these choices has limited ability to meet the individual learning needs of many students. The current system leaves many of our patients with poor academic outcomes, often leading to retention and drop out behaviors.

School districts outside of Pinellas County are often not able to provide a teacher to travel to All Children's to provide educational services per the current hospital homebound system. The choice of Florida Virtual School is a difficult situation for a child who is ill. Daily hospital treatments and illness leave patients unable to predict their ability to work on and complete assignments. The process to transfer between counties in order to receive educational services within Pinellas County is burdensome. . To better serve ill children, All Children's hired its own teacher to provide services to our hospital homebound patients.

Additionally, because the student population census for school district funding is only done twice per year, funding for hospital homebound services is not adequately following the student when they enroll in Pinellas County schools, leaving the school district without the appropriate resources to provide a certified teacher for the hospital. Last year, approximately 2,400 patients at All Children's qualified for hospital homebound services. However, due to limited resources and complications within the current hospital homebound process, our in house teacher at All Children's was only able to reach approximately 500 students, leaving a significant number of sick children without needed educational support.

All Children's seeks State funding to improve educational services being provided to hospital homebound patients. By providing funding directly to All Children's in support of patient academic services, we believe this population of hospital homebound children can better be reached. These funds would directly support the hiring of two additional certified teachers hospital to be based at All Children's Hospital. We believe that with the addition of two more teachers dedicated to teaching hospitalized children, we can provide greater continuity of education of this population of students. Hospital based teachers will allow for All Children's to provide personalized educational services suited to this unique student population, who have variable schedules due to their clinical needs and are coping with the stresses of pediatric disease, often traveling great distances to receive treatment at All Children's and missing valuable school days during recurrent or lengthy hospital stays.

The expected outcomes will be improved educational successes of students with acute and chronic conditions. By providing increased support of hospital homebound services at All Children's we will be able to reduce the gap in services, provide continuity of educational services for this population of students throughout all counties, and maintain uninterrupted instruction. Additionally, these children will be better prepared to thrive into adulthood and become future citizens that support the economic vitality of Florida.

8. Provide the total cost of the project for FY 2016-17 from all sources of funding:

Federal: 0

State: 0 (Excluding the requested Total Amount in #4d, Column G)

Local: 0

Other: 0

9. Is this a multi-year project requiring funding from the state for more than one year?

Yes