

Office of State Budget and Management
Establish New, Receipt-Supported Positions
(G.S. 143-34.1)

Agency: DHHS

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Division: Public Health, Chronic Disease & Injury Section, Tobacco Prevention & Control Branch

Budget Code: 14430

Center Title: HWT Technical Assistance Grant

Center Number: 2B01-1551-5589-04

***** Position Information *****

Proposed Classification: Public Health Program Consultant I

Proposed Salary Grade: 70

Salary Range: \$33,790 - \$ 52,065

Proposed Effective Date: 10/1/06

Number of Positions: 1

	<u>Center Authorized Budget</u>	<u>Current Request</u>
Total Budget	\$ 795,592	\$ 55,122
Receipts	795,592	\$ 55,122
Appropriation	\$ 0	\$ 0

Funding Source(s): Health and Wellness Trust Fund

Justification for Position (including description of duties and responsibilities):

The Health and Wellness Trust Fund (HWTF) Phase III Expansion increased funding from the state's allocation of the Master Settlement Agreement from \$10.9 million to \$15 million annually for Teen Tobacco Use Prevention and Cessation. The expansion funding enabled HWTF to increase the number of state/local Grantees from 42 to 54. The HWTF has efficiently secured expertise by contracting with the Tobacco Prevention and Control Branch (TPCB) to provide specific training and technical assistance in planning and implementing the programmatic components of the grants. The HWTF Commission approved funding to the TPCB to create a new position that provides technical assistance for the new regional distribution of HWTF Grantees under Phase III expansion. This position will cover a selected number of county Grantees based in the eastern region of the state selected to receive funding. For specific teen tobacco use prevention intervention areas the new Field Coordinator will: provide high quality, timely technical assistance; conduct timely site visits with each grantee in the region; review current and planned activities and the links of those activities to the Annual Action Plan (AAP); assist in identifying challenges and barriers to progress on the AAP and recommendations for improvements and changes; support for evidence-based practice in the community; serve on state-level action teams for program development; assist the grantees with planning for intervention topic areas and specific indicators for preventing and reducing teen tobacco use; assist with local and statewide strategic planning, and coalition building; and attend and (speak and present, as requested) at local meetings, public forums, board of health meetings.

Statutory Reference for Request

Jim Slate

Presentation to be made by

Title

Agency Head Signature

State Budget Officer Signature