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Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman
Albany County Legislature
112 State Street, Room 710
Albany, New York 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce:

Albany County Department of Health (ACDOH) is requesting approval to contract with NYSDOH for the Perinatal and Infant Community Health Collaboratives program (PICHC) and amend the 2022 Health Dept. budget. ACDOH has been awarded \$440,000 for 5 years for a total grant award of \$2,200,000 beginning July 1, 2022. The goal of the PICHC initiative is to improve perinatal and infant health outcomes and eliminate racial, ethnic, and economic disparities in those outcomes. The funding will help implement collaborative community-based strategies to improve the health and wellbeing of individuals of reproductive age (15-44 years old) and their families with a focus on individuals in the prenatal, postpartum, and interconception periods.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth F. Whalen, MD, MPH
Commissioner of Health

cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader
Hon. Frank A. Mauriello, Minority Leader
Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel
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Enclosures



Albany County Department of Health is nationally accredited and meets rigorous public health standards set forth to best meet the needs of our community.