**PE51 Public health modernization bridge funding**

CLHO, April 15, 2021

**Background:**

Current PE51-01 and -02 funding ends on 6/30/21. The Legislature will not finalize the OHA budget until sometime in June. And although we expect the same amount of funding to be available in 2021-23, we will not know if additional funds are available until the Legislature finalizes the budget.

**Proposal:**

OHA can provide three months of bridge funding for PE51-01 and -02 for July-September 2021. This will allow LPHAs to have funding for staff and to continue ongoing work plan activities.

LPHAs will not need to submit a budget or work plan for these funds.

Each LPHA and Fiscal Agent for regional partnerships will receive one-eighth (three months) of their total award for the 2019-21 biennium.

An updated Program Element and funding formula – based on total funds available for 2021-23 - will go into effect on 10/1/21.

**Recommendation:**

CLHO Systems and Innovation recommends that CLHO approve this proposal to provide bridge funding for FY 22 Q1.