

School Operations  
Dr. George M. Koonce Jr., Associate Superintendent

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - MIAMI-DADE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE HEARING SCREENING SERVICES FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED IN GRADE LEVELS REQUIRED BY STATE STATUTE AND SCHOOL BOARD RULE, SEPTEMBER 1, 2002 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2003**

Florida School Health Services Administrative Rule 10D-84.16, mandates hearing screening of students in kindergarten, grades first and seventh, and for students entering Florida schools for the first time in grades kindergarten through fifth. Additional grade levels, required by School Board Rule 6Gx13-5D-1.021, School Health Services Program, include grades second, fourth, and tenth.

During 2001-2002, the Miami-Dade County Health Department entered into a contractual agreement with Miami-Dade County Public Schools. Under the terms of the contractual agreement, Miami-Dade County Health Department paid Miami-Dade County Public Schools \$76,000 for the provision of hearing screening services for students.

This request is to renew the contractual agreement with the Florida Department of Health - Miami-Dade County Health Department for funds to provide the hearing screening services from September 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003. Miami-Dade County Health Department will pay the sum of \$76,000 for the rendering of these services.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the General Fund of the fiscal year 2002-2003 Tentative Budget in Fund 0100, Function 6130, Program 8632, Object 5145, Location 9630.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to enter into a contractual agreement with the Florida Department of Health - Miami-Dade County Health Department to receive funds to provide hearing screening services for students enrolled in grade levels required by state statute and School Board rule from September 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the General Fund of the 2002-2003 Tentative Budget.