

**Department of Community Health  
Proposal for funding the Michigan Quality Community Care Council (MQCCC)  
in Fiscal Year 2012**

**Background**

The MQCCC maintains a registry of qualified adult home help workers to help beneficiaries find, choose, and hire providers. Additionally, the council offers training and information to beneficiaries of the program by helping them better understand their responsibilities as employers of workers or providers. State funding of the council was originally provided by a grant. In FY 2006, the grant expired and general fund general purpose funding was substituted in addition to federal Medicaid match. Public Act 63 of 2011 eliminates state subsidy of the council in FY 2012.

**Issue**

Senators Kahn and Richardville have indicated interest in reinstating the program in FY 2012 and have requested Community Health to identify funding to redirect to the program.

**Proposal**

**Option 1**

Submit a supplemental to move \$1 million Gross (\$500,000 GF/GP, \$500,000 federal) from the Adult Home Help Workers appropriation line to a new line item titled Michigan Quality Community Care Council.

Although this proposal requires a supplemental, it can be packaged with the Electronic Health Records (EHR) Supplemental which is needed by October 1 due to the House removing the work project funding for FY 2012 from the recently passed FY 2011 supplemental. A new line item for MQCCC provides clear legislative intent of restoration of a program which was eliminated. The programmatic activity funded in Adult Home Help line is closely related to MQCCC so it is the appropriation which is identified to support the proposed new line. Additionally, the Adult Home Help appropriation line has historically funded the MQCCC and was the line reduced in FY 2012 budget bill.

**Option 2**

If the desire is to advance a transfer rather than a supplemental, funds can be transferred from the Long-term care line to the Adult Home Help line.