

July 25, 2001

**APPROVE PAYMENT TO SMILE DESIGNERS AND DIVISION DENTAL  
FOR DENTAL SERVICES PROVIDED UNDER THE HEAD START PROGRAM**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:**

Approve payments to Smile Designers and Division Dental for the provision of dental health services to CPS students in the Head Start Program in amounts not to exceed, in the aggregate, \$40,000. The Board is required, pursuant to its contract with the Chicago Department of Human Services, to make payment for Dental Services rendered by parent-selected dental providers for Head Start children not eligible for Medicaid. CPS is eligible to receive reimbursement for such dental payments through the Head Start program. No written agreements are required for these payments. Information pertinent to these payments is indicated below.

<p><b>DENTAL PROVIDERS:</b> 1) Smile Designers Dr. Alvin Harris 2345 West Cermak Road Chicago, IL 60608 (773) 579 - 0500 Vendor No: 30339 Not to Exceed: \$ 15,000 (Over the 2 year period)</p>	<p>2) Division Dental Drs. Daniel Lassman &amp; Gerald Wine 2632 W. Division Chicago, IL 60622 (773) 235-0980 Vendor No: 28181 Not to Exceed: \$25,000 (Over the 2 year period)</p>
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**USER:** Office of Language, Cultural, and Early Childhood Programs  
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Chicago, IL 60603  
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**PAYMENT PERIOD:** Payments are authorized for services provided during the Head Start FY2001 & 2002 funding years from December 1, 2000 until November 30, 2002.

**DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM:** Payments for dental services, including dental screenings and treatments are funded through the Head Start grant. Eligible Head Start children receive dental referrals as well as listings of eligible neighborhood providers. Parents then select the dentist they wish to use. The providers noted above provide services in neighborhoods where few people receive Medicaid. The Chicago Department of Human Services, the funding agency, established the allowable fees for dental services that are currently set at the Medicaid rate. Only the charges for children not eligible for the Medicaid program will be paid by the Head Start grant.


**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION:** Not Applicable.

**LSC REVIEW:** Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.


**FINANCIAL:** Charge to Early Childhood Education: \$40,000  
Budget Classification: 0952-239-155-7930-5410  
Source of Funds: Federal Funds

Fiscal Year: 2001 & 2002

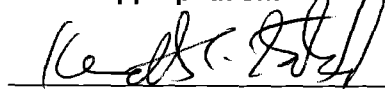
**Approved for Consideration:**

  
Natalie Paquin  
Chief Purchasing Officer

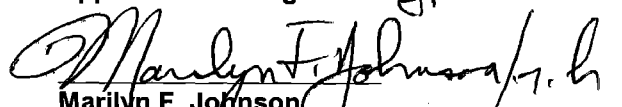
**Approved:**

  
Arne Duncan  
Chief Executive Officer

**Within Appropriation:**

  
Kenneth C. Gotsch  
Chief Fiscal Officer

**Approved as to legal form:**

  
Marilyn F. Johnson  
General Counsel