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MEMORANDUM

To: Chief Academic Officers and Office of Sponsored Projects Directors, Texas Institutions of Higher Education

From: Marshall A. Hill

Subject: Grant Awards under the Minority Health Research and Education Grant Program

On behalf of Commissioner Don W. Brown, I am pleased to announce the fiscal year 2002 and 2003 grant awards under the Minority Health Research and Education Grant Program (MHGP). This program was established by the 76th Legislature with proceeds from the Texas Tobacco Lawsuit Settlement.

Proposals were selected for funding based on: 1) program quality as determined by peer reviews, and 2) other selection criteria identified in the MHGP Grant Application Instructions and Forms. *All awards are contingent upon the receipt by the Board of grant funds from the Comptroller, and upon any necessary budget and program narrative changes.* We will convey information about those changes to the Office of Sponsored Projects at each institution as applicable.

Minority Health Research and Education Grant Program

The Coordinating Board received 59 applications from 25 eligible institutions for grant awards totaling $2.25 million for the 2002/03 biennium. Twenty-eight of those applications proposed partnerships with other institutions or organizations. The eight grant award winners are:

Arredondo, Rudy and Bacchi, Donna, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, *Analysis of Cultural Specific Guidelines to Motivate African-American and Hispanic Smokers to Seek Treatment.* Award Amount: $330,562.

Brooks, Ernestine, Texas A&M University System Health Science Center in partnership with Prairie View A&M University, *Bridge to Dentistry: Awareness to Graduation.* Award Amount: $307,862.

Eissa, Mona and Brosnan, Christine, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston in partnerships with Aldine Independent School District and Incarnation Health Center, *Early Detection of Obesity Complications: Hypertension and Type 2 Diabetes in Ethnic Minority Middle & High School Students.* Award Amount: $111,080.

Kudolo, George and Mckenzie, Shirlyn, The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio in partnerships with DNA Reference Laboratory; San Antonio Metropolitan Health/Bexar County; and General Clinical Research Center, Veteran's Health Care System; *Mitochondrial Genome and Early Diabetes Intervention in Minority School-Age Children in San Antonio.* Award Amount: $335,360.

Saldaña, Delia, The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, *Evaluation of Access to Minority Mental Health Care in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.* Award Amount: $244,808.

Victor, Ronald, The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, *Efficacy of a Barbershop Intervention in Controlling Hypertension in Black Men.* Award Amount: $337,436.

Wetter, David, The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, *Smoking Cessation Services for Hispanic Smokers in Texas.* Award Amount: $301,389.

Williams-Willis, Linda and Nobles, Carolyn, Prairie View A&M University in partnership with The Texas Agricultural Extension Service, *Managing Hypertension in Minority Communities Through Faith-Based Outreach.* Award Amount: $ 319,013.