

# CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

159 THORNDIKE STREET, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02141

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August 2, 2016

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

CONTRACT AWARD: Medicaid Billing and Collection Services

RECOMMENDATION: That the School Committee award a contract to the following vendor for Professional Services; funds to be provided from the General Fund. Procurement procedures for this contract have complied with Chapter 30B of the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Period of Contract</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Public Consulting Group 148 State St. 10 <sup>th</sup> Floor Boston, MA 02109	9/1/16-8/31/17	\$100,000.00

DESCRIPTION: This contract is for Medicaid Billing and Collection Services for the School Department.

SUPPORTING DATA: RULES OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE: Chapter III, Section 12... "motions calling for the appropriation or expenditure of money shall require the affirmative vote of four members."

BUDGET REFERENCES:

ACCOUNT: 53101 Professional Services  
FUND: 15000 General Fund  
ORG: 899375 Fixed Asset/Office Of Student Services  
PROJ:

Respectfully Submitted,

Kenneth N. Salim, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: Public Consulting Group Contract

**Purpose:** Medicaid Reimbursement Claiming Services

**Contract Amount:** \$100,000

**Description/Scope of Services:**

The Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA) includes provisions which allow school districts to seek Medicaid reimbursement for health care related services when provided to an eligible student in accordance with the student's individual education plan (IEP). Examples of services eligible for reimbursement include behavioral health services, and physical, occupational and speech/language therapy.

The regulations pertaining to the federal cost reporting and claiming system are complex, as is the process for documenting and completing the quarterly claim filings. In order to ensure that we comply with regulations and maximize our revenue recovery, the district contracts with the Public Consulting Group (PCG) to assist with the claim process. The district's annual revenue from the Federal Medicaid Reimbursement program ranges from approximately \$1.0 to \$1.4 million. The fee for these services 6.5% of revenue received in a fiscal year. In FY 2016, the district received \$1.3 million.