## METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS 777 North Capitol Street, NE Washington, D.C. 20002-4239

## PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE QUALITY HEALTH FOUNDATION FOR FUNDING

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) has a continued interest in supporting the local jurisdictions' ability to meet the needs of their special needs populations; and

**WHEREAS**, COG plays an important role in assisting member jurisdictions coordinate activities and promote best practices; and

WHEREAS, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Committee, the Health Officials Committee, and the Corrections Chiefs Committee have together identified a need for coordinated regional planning to improve access to care for individuals with mental health and/or substance abuse disorders; and

**WHEREAS**, the Quality Health Foundation seeks grant applications from non-profit organizations to improve the health status of individuals and communities.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to submit a grant proposal to the Quality Health foundation for the support of an *Improving Healthcare of Individuals with Mental Health and Substance Abuse Disorders Using Regional Learning Collaboratives* program. Funding in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 is requested for a period of one year. No COG matching funds will be required.

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