

CLEARANCES	Initial	Date	Date Received in Council Office	Agenda Date	Assigned to:
Originator:	DGD	5/4/09	<b>RECEIVED</b>  <b>MAY 05 2009</b>  <b>WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL</b>	5/12/09	Finance / Council
Division Head:					
Dept. Head:					
Prosecutor:	RJA	5-4-09			
Purchasing/Budget:	BB	5/4/09			
Executive:	[Signature]	5/4/09			

**TITLE OF DOCUMENT:** Resolution to approve purchase of Antiviral Medication in response to the Swine Flu virus.

**ATTACHMENTS:** Cover Memo and Resolution

SEPA review required? ( ) Yes ( x ) NO	Should Clerk schedule a hearing? ( ) Yes ( x ) NO
SEPA review completed? ( ) Yes ( x ) NO	Requested Date:

**SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:** (If this item is an ordinance or requires a public hearing, you must provide the language for use in the required public notice. Be specific and cite RCW or WCC as appropriate. Be clear in explaining the intent of the action.)

Resolution to approve purchase of Antiviral Medication in response to the Swine Flu Virus.

**COMMITTEE ACTION:**  
5/12/2009: Forwarded to Council for approval

**COUNCIL ACTION:**  
5/12/2009: Council Approved 7-0  
Res. 2009-031

<b>Related County Contract #:</b>	<b>Related File Numbers:</b>	<b>Ordinance or Resolution Number:</b> Res. 2009-031
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SPONSORED BY: Regina Hunt  
PROPOSED BY: Executive  
INDRODUCTION DATE: 5/12/2009

RESOLUTION NO 2009-031

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF ANTIVIRAL MEDICATIONS

WHEREAS, the federal government has declared a public health emergency due to the spread of the swine flu virus in the United States and the world; and

WHEREAS, Whatcom County's allocation of antiviral medication contained in the Federal Strategic National Stockpile is sufficient to treat only 15% of our county population; and

WHEREAS, CDC recommends that communities have on hand sufficient quantities of antiviral medication to treat 25% of the population; and

WHEREAS, there are presently limited quantities of commercially available antiviral medications in Whatcom County; and

WHEREAS, additional supplies of antiviral medications are needed to effectively respond to a pandemic influenza event affecting Whatcom County protecting vulnerable individuals from serious illness and death; and

WHEREAS, the federal government has arranged for limited quantities of antiviral medications to be purchased by local governments from manufacturers at a subsidized price; and

WHEREAS, arrangements have been made to store, inventory, and protect the stockpile of antiviral medications purchased following federal guidelines until they are needed; and

WHEREAS, this is an emergent public health event that could have serious health and economic repercussions for the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Whatcom County Council that:

1. The Whatcom County Executive is authorized to purchase a stockpile of antiviral medications under the terms of the agreement that the federal government has with the pharmaceutical manufacturers, and
2. The Whatcom County Executive is authorized to purchase other necessary supplies, services, and labor to respond to a swine flu outbreak in the County, and
3. The total amount authorized for these purposes is \$300,000 and,
4. The Whatcom County Executive will prepare an amendment to the budget to appropriate these expenditures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Whatcom County Council unanimously declares its endorsement of the purchase of antiviral medications in response to the Swine Flu virus.

APPROVED this 12th day of May, 2009.



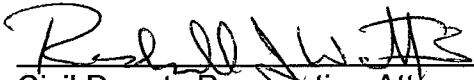
WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON



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Seth Fleetwood, Chair

APPROVED as to form:



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Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney