# WINDSOR-ESSEX COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH RESOLUTION RECOMMENDATION

April 20, 2017

## **Enhanced Mosquito Surveillance Program**

## **Background:**

In 2016, the aedes species of mosquito was found in local mosquito traps in Windsor and Essex County. The Windsor-Essex County Health Unit has worked closely with Public Health Ontario, the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care and the Public Health Agency of Canada to determine surveillance plans for 2017 and going forward. The estimated cost of surveillance for 2017 using a third party provider which is Pestalto Environmental Health Services Inc. is \$45,000 plus HST. It is the Windsor Essex County Health Unit's understanding that Public Health Agency of Canada will fund \$25,000 of these costs. The Windsor Essex County Health Unit is seeking the remainder of \$20,000 plus HST from the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care as a one-time 100% business case. If the Windsor Essex County Health Unit is unsuccessful with its one-time 100% business case, it will seek the funds through gapping dollars and or through its obligated funders.

### Issue:

While it is possible to characterize these additional services as a change in scope under the existing agreement with Pestalto, relating to the West Nile Virus Program, it is more prudent to consider this separately and categorize the procurement as non-competitive in nature. As per section 8 of the Board By-laws, such procurement requires approval by the Board of Health.

### **Recommendation:**

That the Windsor Essex County Board of Health approve the non-competitive procurement of services from Pestalto Environmental Health Services Inc., in the amount of \$45,000 plus HST, relating to the Enhanced Mosquito Surveillance Program for 2017.