

**Board of Health for Madison and Dane County
Treatment Access Fund**

Resolution #2008-09

Since 2000, Susan G. Komen for the Cure (formerly Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation) has funded a Treatment Access Fund for women. The fund provides breast cancer screening, diagnosis and treatment services for uninsured women in Dane County who do not qualify for any financial assistance program and do not have any form of health coverage. An eligible woman may submit her medical bills for breast related services. The program has negotiated with most health care systems in Dane County to accept a 50 percent payment on these bills. Based on available funds, breast related medical expenses, for eligible women, are paid directly to the healthcare provider. Since 2000, the Treatment Access Fund has assisted approximately 130 women and paid more than \$75,000 toward medical bills.

In 2007, 625 women were enrolled and screened in Dane County and twelve women were diagnosed with breast cancer. Funding was provided for their screening and diagnosis. Ten of these women were then enrolled in the state's WI Well Woman Medicaid to cover the cost of treatment.

This resolution authorizes the acceptance of the 2008 grant of \$127,880. The majority of funds will be used for the Treatment Access Fund. A budget resolution allocating these funds is being done separately.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Health for Madison and Dane County, on behalf of Public Health—Madison and Dane County is authorized to enter into an agreement with Susan G. Komen for the Cure for \$127,880 for the Treatment Access Fund that is part of the Wisconsin Well Woman Program in Dane County for the period April 1, 2008 to March 31, 2009 and the Director is authorized to sign the agreement.

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