



## Interoffice Memorandum

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TO: Mayor Jerry L. Demings  
-AND-  
County Commissioners

FROM: 

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SUBJECT: Approval of Contract Y22-162, Providing Nurse-Family Partnership to At-Risk  
Pregnant Women

### ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of Contract Y22-162, Providing Nurse-Family Partnership Services to At-Risk Pregnant Women, with Healthy Start Coalition of Orange County, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of \$256,302.

### PROCUREMENT:

Orange County received additional funding in August 2021 to expand and enhance the children's mental health service system for children ages zero (in-utero) through age eight within the following nine identified high acuity need zip codes: 32808, 32805, 32893, 32811, 32818, 32810, 32801, 32822, and 32703. This project will assist the Youth Mental Health Commission in implementing a comprehensive early childhood system that effectively serves children with or at risk of social-emotional/behavioral challenges and their families. This will be accomplished by improving coordination and collaboration across child and family serving systems, offering early assessment/identification and referrals to treatment, providing evidence-based practice interventions and strengthening infrastructure for the identified families, partners, and systems. The term of this agreement begins on the date that it is fully executed by both parties and shall conclude on August 30, 2022.

### FUNDING:

Funding is available in account number 00001-062-7500-3197.

### APPROVALS:

The Community and Family Services Department concurs with this recommendation.

REMARKS:

In 2013, Orange County mayoral leadership convened a Youth Mental Health Commission (YMHC) specifically to analyze the System of Care for those ages 0-24. The YMHC advanced the system by focusing on children/youth with multiple psychiatric hospitalizations in the *Breakthrough* pilot. Additionally, the Commission added a variety of evidence-based practices including care coordination and management utilizing high-fidelity wraparound, Multi-Systemic Therapy, Functional Family Therapy, Mobile Crisis Services, Modular Approach to Therapy for Children with Anxiety, Depression, Trauma, or Conduct Problems, and Respite. Orange County committed a recurring budget of \$2 million per year to continue the gains obtained from federal funding. The YMHC continues to operate as the Board for the System of Care and has representation from numerous child-serving systems, as well as representation of cultural brokers and those who can provide family and youth voice.

This contract will fund a four-year implementation, training, and certification of the federal 2021 grant for Expansion and Sustainability of the Comprehensive Community Mental Health Services for Children with Serious Emotional Disturbance funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services (SAMHSA) administration. The grant application approved by SAMHSA stipulated the Mental Health and Homelessness Issue Division would contract directly with Healthy Start Coalition of Orange County, Inc.

This contract provides the implementation, staff training and certification in the evidence-based practice of Nurse-Family Partnership. Healthy Start Coalition of Orange County, Inc. is the sole purveyor of the Nurse Family Partnership Program in Orange County, Florida.