



Interoffice Memorandum

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TO: Mayor Jerry L. Demings
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County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: Approval of Contract Y21-1041, Child Protection Services

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of Contract Y21-1041, Child Protection Services, with Orlando Health, Inc., in the estimated contract award amount of \$210,000 for a one-year term. Further request authorization for the Procurement Division to renew the contract for two additional one-year terms.

PURPOSE:

This contract will provide medical examinations and evaluation services for abused, abandoned, or neglected children who are residents of Orange County, pursuant to Chapter 39 of the Florida Statutes, or conduct records review in cases where such a review can serve in place of physical examinations.

DISCUSSION:

In accordance with Chapter 39, Florida Statutes, the Department of Health must utilize and convene child protective teams to supplement the assessment and protective supervision activities of the family safety and preservation program of the Department of Children and Family Services. The specialized diagnostic assessment, evaluation, coordination, consultation, and other supportive services provided by the child protection team include, but are not limited to, medical diagnosis and evaluation services and interpretation of X-rays and laboratory tests with related services as needed to document findings.

The Department of Health has contracted with Orlando Health, Inc. as the provider for the services in this region of Central Florida.

The Department of Health child protection team reviews all the abuse and neglect cases that are transmitted for investigation in a district. The county where the child resides bears the initial costs of the examination of the allegedly abused, abandoned, or neglected child. The initial cost of the examination is \$250 per child, which is the financial responsibility of the County. Orange County averages seventy children per month will need these services, therefore the projected annual cost is \$210,000.