




**Interoffice Memorandum**

October 13, 2023

To: Mayor Jerry L. Demings  
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County Commissioners

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Subject: Approval of Amendment No. 11, Contract Y20-133, Central Receiving Center

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Approval of Amendment No. 11, Contract Y20-133, Central Receiving Center, with Aspire Health Partners, Inc., in the amount of \$415,564.41, for a revised total contract award amount not-to-exceed \$7,147,039.46.

**PROCUREMENT:**

This amendment will renew the contract for the period of December 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024. The funding increase will allow Aspire Health Partners, Inc. to operate at rates similar to that of the Managing Entity (state substance abuse mental health funding organization) and takes into consideration a cost-of-living increase. Like many non-profits, Aspire Health Partners, Inc. has struggled to maintain staff and has had to increase wages to continue operation of the public funded behavioral health system.

**FUNDING:**

Funding is available in account numbers 0001-062-2504-3240 and 0001-062-2501-8610.

**REMARKS:**

The purpose of this contract is to provide the integrated services for the Central Receiving Center (CRC) system of care for Orange County. The contract will provide an array of behavioral health services to include crisis assistance, inpatient stabilization, and outpatient services to the citizens of Orange County.

When required by local law enforcement officers, the contract services provide substance abuse and mental health crisis assessments at the CRC. The assessment professionals will assess for appropriate placement and/or community resources to stabilize and treat individuals with substance abuse and mental health disorders.

The CRC operates 24 hours per day, seven days per week, and also includes inpatient crisis stabilization for mental health and substance use disorders, residential and detoxification services for substance use disorders, intensive case management, and transitional housing for the chronically homeless, co-occurring CRC patients.

Aspire Health Partners, Inc. is responsible for the day-to-day operations, including but not limited to, providing access to data through the agency's electronic medical records to onsite Orange County Staff, attendance at regular governing board meetings and site-based management team meetings of the CRC.

All services provided through this funding are available for Orange County residents, 18 years of age and older, seeking behavioral health care, and who are underinsured or uninsured. Residents seeking services shall engage with Aspire Health Partners, Inc through their onsite Access Center to complete an assessment.

On September 10, 2019, the Board authorized award of Contract Y20-133 with Aspire Health Partners, Inc. in the total contract award amount of \$6,039,209.86, for a one-year term.

Previous contract amendments are as follows:

- Amendment No. 1: Replaced Exhibit "B" – Fee Schedule. Changed the term of the contract to expire on September 30, 2020.
- Amendment No. 2: Decreased the contract amount by \$600,000, for a revised total contract award amount of \$5,439,209.86. Replaced Exhibit "B" – Fee Schedule.
- Amendment No. 3: Increased the contract amount by \$34,224.14, for a revised total contract award amount of \$5,473,434. Exhibit "A" – Scope of Services and Exhibit "B" – Fee Schedule were replaced. Renewed the contract for the period of October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021.
- Amendment No. 4: Increased the contract amount by \$330,000, for a revised total contract amount of \$5,803,434. Exhibit "A" – Scope of Services and Exhibit "B" – Fee Schedule were replaced.
- Amendment No. 5: Decreased the contract amount by \$330,000, for a revised total contract award amount of \$5,473,434. Exhibit "A" – Scope of Services and Exhibit "B" – Fee Schedule were replaced.
- Amendment No. 6: Renewed the contract for the period of October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022.
- Amendment No. 7: Increased the contract amount by \$339,997.50, for a revised total contract award amount of \$5,813,431.50. Exhibit "A" – Scope of Services and Exhibit "B" – Fee Schedule were replaced. Renewed the contract for the period of October 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023.

- Amendment No. 8: Decreased the contract amount by \$2,130,977, for a revised total contract award amount of \$3,682,454.50. Replaced Exhibit "B" – Fee Schedule. The amendment was approved by the Board on September 27, 2022.
- Amendment No. 9: Increased the contract amount for expansion of services at College Place and Men's Residential by \$358,541.15. Decreased the contract amount by \$40,497.60 due to reduction of guardian advocacy. The contract amount was increased by \$318,043.55, for a revised total contract award amount of \$4,000,498.05. Exhibit "A" – Scope of Services and Exhibit "B" – Fee Schedule were replaced.
- Amendment No. 10: Extended the contract for the period of October 1, 2023 through November 30, 2023 and increased the contract by \$600,000, for a revised total contract award amount of \$6,731,475.05.