




Interoffice Memorandum

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To: Mayor Jerry L. Demings
and the Board of County Commissioners

From:  Carrie Mathes, Manager, Procurement Division

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Subject: Approval of Contract Y20-133, Central Receiving Center

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of Contract Y20-133, Central Receiving Center, with Aspire Health Partners, Inc. in the estimated contract award amount of \$6,039,209.86 for a 1-year term. Further request authorization for the Procurement Division to renew the contract for four additional 1-year terms.

PROCUREMENT:

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

FUNDING:

Funds for this service will be available in accounts 0001-060-2504-3240.

REMARKS:

In accordance with the Code of Ordinances, Part I, Chapter 17, Article III, Section 17-286 – Application and exclusions, agreements between the Board and nonprofit organizations are excluded from competitive procurement requirements.

When required by local law enforcement officers, the contract services will provide substance abuse and mental health crisis assessments at the CRC. The assessment professionals will access community resources to stabilize and treat individuals with substance abuse and mental health disorders on a 24-hour-per-day, seven-days-per-week basis. Also included is 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. will be responsible for the operation of residential level 2 beds at 1405 West Michigan Street, Orlando, Florida 32805 and detox beds located at 434 E. Kennedy Boulevard, Orlando, Florida 32810.

Aspire Health Partners, Inc. will be responsible for the development of all policies and procedures for a level 2 residential program and detox operation, as well as for the day to day operations to include, but not limited to, subcontracting all or part of the services to any other agency, attendance at regular management team meetings and site based management team meetings of the CRC, and providing quarterly reports.

Intensive case management and transitional housing for the chronically homeless, co-occurring CRC patients will be provided through the CRC Phase II, which is part of the services offered through this contract. The objective of CRC Phase II is to provide a safe, stable living environment for homeless, co-occurring mental health or substance abuse individuals who meet the program criteria and have recently been treated at the CRC within a year. These individuals must be homeless and in need of a stable environment where they can be engaged in treatment toward recovery while more permanent and stable housing is secured. This phase will be located at Maxwell Terrace and will serve up to 30 consumers who may stay for three months to a year. The program anticipates an average length of stay of four and one-half months for consumers not in extended programming, with an average occupancy of 90%.

CRC Phase II is a partnership between Orange County Government, State of Florida Department of Children and Families, and Homeless Services Network of Central Florida. At this time the funding source is Orange County Government.