



Interoffice Memorandum

AGENDA ITEM

January 18, 2018

TO: Mayor Teresa Jacobs
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Board of County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: Ryan White Part A Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Award Acceptance
Consent Agenda – February 6, 2018

The Ryan White Part A Program is a federally-funded program of health and support services for persons with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) spectrum disease. The program provides funding for core and support services to consumers affected by HIV. Core services consist of medical and dental care, nutritional supplements and therapy, insurance co-pay and premium payments, medical case management, pharmaceutical drug reimbursement, mental health counseling and substance abuse treatment. Food, transportation and psychosocial support services complement the program as support components. Services are provided by community agencies under contract with the County.

In addition to direct services for consumers, the grant also provides funding for administration, quality management and support of the HIV Health Services Planning Council. County employees funded by the grant fill the roles for administration and quality management. The Planning Council is an appointed group of providers, lay persons and consumers that offer guidance for administration of the program. Staff support for the Planning Council is provided by a contracted agency.

The upcoming Federal Ryan White Part A Fiscal Year is March 1, 2018 through February 28, 2019. Notification of the actual amount of the grant award for that time period is expected to be received from the Federal Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) in March 2018. The award is expected to be approximately \$10,190,328 which is nearly \$485,254 more than the award for the 2017-2018 grant. In order to execute contracts beginning March 1, 2018, and continue services from the current year, Board approval to accept the award is needed prior to the time that the actual amount of the award is known.

The Health Services Planning Council must allocate awarded funds in accordance with HRSA guidelines to the approved services planned. In order to expedite the use of any additional funding, approval is requested to authorize the County Mayor or designee to approve acceptance of any additional funding received under this grant during the period of March 1, 2018 through February 28, 2019.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval to accept the Federal Health Resources and Services Administration Grant Award for Ryan White Part A funding in the estimated amount of \$10,190,328 for the period of March 1, 2018 through February 28, 2019 and approval for the County Mayor or designee to approve any increases or decreases in the award amount. **(Health Services Department)**

c: George Ralls, MD, Deputy County Administrator