

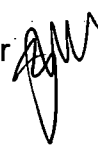


Interoffice Memorandum

AGENDA ITEM

March 2, 2021

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

THRU: Yolanda G. Martínez, EdPhD., PhD., Director 
Health Services Department

FROM: Claudia Yabrudy, Manager
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SUBJECT: Ryan White Part A Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Award Acceptance
Consent Agenda – March 9, 2021

The Ryan White Part A Program is a federally funded program of health and support services for persons with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) living in Orange, Osceola, Seminole, and Lake Counties. The program provides funding for core and support services to consumers affected by HIV. Core services consist of medical and dental care, nutritional supplements, 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, 2021 through February 28, 2022. 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 2021. The award is expected to be approximately \$10,858,424, which is \$516,258 more than the award for the 2020-2021 grant. In order to execute contracts beginning March 1, 2021, 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 to HRSA guidelines for 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, 2021 through February 28, 2022.

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 \$10,858,424 for the period of March 1, 2021 through February 28, 2022 and authorization for the County Mayor or designee to approve any increases or decreases in the award amount. **(Health Services Department)**

C: Danny Banks, Deputy County Administrator, County Administrator's Office
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