# **Broward County**



# **Legislation Text**

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# Broward County Commission Regular Meeting

**<u>Director's Name:</u>** Keith D. Bostick (Deputy Director)

**Department:** Human Services **Division:** Broward Addiction Recovery

#### **Information**

### **Requested Action**

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE County Administrator to execute Sixth Amendment to Agreement No. R1012809R1 between Broward County and Advanced Pharmaceutical Consultants, Inc., (subject to review for legal sufficiency by the County Attorney) in an amount not to exceed \$302,241, extending the Agreement on a month-to-month basis effective December 1, 2021 up through November 30, 2022, to continue the provision of in-house pharmacy and medication management services to Broward County residents receiving substance use disorder treatment at the Broward Addiction Recovery Division's 24-hour detoxification facility; and authorize the County Administrator to take all necessary administrative and budgetary actions to implement the Agreement as amended.

### Why Action is Necessary

Section 21.47(a), Broward County Administrative Code, requires that the Broward County Board of County Commissioners ("Board") approves all contracts with a value of more than \$500,000, inclusive of the value of any renewals or extensions provided for in the contract.

Section 21.53(a), Broward County Administrative Code, states that the duration of County contracts shall not exceed five years without the express approval of the Board.

## What Action Accomplishes

This action allows the Broward Addiction Recovery Division ("BARC") to meet Community Pharmacy Licensure requirements from the Florida Department of Health by providing licensed pharmacy staff to manage and operate in-house pharmacy and medication management services at BARC Central.

#### Is this Action Goal Related

Yes

## **Previous Action Taken**

None

#### **Summary Explanation/Background**

THE HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE BROWARD ADDICTION RECOVERY DIVISION RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE ABOVE MOTION.

This item supports the Board's value of "approaching human services collaboratively and compassionately, with special emphasis on the most vulnerable" and the goal to "deliver evidence-based services to the public, and connect customers and their family members to sustainable

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support, with special emphasis on financial supports." Funding will allow BARC to provide evidence-based medication-assisted treatment services to eligible individuals.

Advanced Pharmaceutical Consultants, Inc., ("APC") provides in-house pharmacy and medication management services to Broward County residents receiving substance use disorder treatment at BARC's 24-hour detoxification facility. APC manages the automated medication distribution system for enhanced patient safety and medication accountability in accordance with state and federal laws and The Joint Commission accreditation requirements. The APC licensed pharmacist is qualified to order wholesale prescription medications for BARC clients on behalf of Broward County. APC has met all contractual performance measures to date.

The APC Agreement resulted from the Request for Letters of Interest No. R1012809R1 for in-house pharmacy and medication management services approved by the Board on December 10, 2013 (Item No. 25). On April 8, 2014, the Director of Purchasing approved the First Amendment to the Agreement to provide software and equipment upgrades to fully automate the dispensing of medication at BARC's Booher and Central facilities. On September 4, 2015, the Director of Purchasing approved the Second Amendment to address the new BARC Narcotic/Opiate Treatment Program license and regulatory changes requiring a pharmacist. On November 13, 2018 (Item No. 75), the Board approved the Third Amendment to include an additional Option Period that began December 1, 2018, and ended November 30, 2019 ("Option Period 5"). On October 15, 2019 (Item No. 5), the Board approved the Fourth Amendment to include Option Period 6 that began December 1, 2019, and ended November 30, 2020. On October 6, 2020 (item No. 9), the Board approved the Fifth Amendment to include Option Period 7 that began December 1, 2020, and ends November 30, 2021, to ensure continuity of in-house pharmacy and medication management services at BARC Central during the ongoing solicitation process.

The Sixth Amendment will ensure continuity of in-house pharmacy and medication management services during the final phase of the solicitation process. The estimated timeline to complete vendor presentations, scoring of the proposals, and drafting as well as execution of the new contract will be a minimum of three months. Furthermore, a minimum of an additional three months post award will be needed for transition services of the current pharmacy vendor to the new pharmacy vendor.

The Sixth Amendment is currently under review for legal sufficiency by the Office of the County Attorney prior to execution by the County Administrator.

#### Source of Additional Information

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#### **Fiscal Impact**

#### Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary

Funding in the amount of \$302,241 is allocated in BARC's Fiscal Year 2021 budget.