



Broward County

Legislation Text

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Broward County Commission Regular Meeting

Director's Name: Keith D. Bostick (Deputy Director)

Department: Human Services

Division: Community Partnerships

Information

Requested Action

A. MOTION TO AUTHORIZE County Administrator to execute Agreement, subject to review for legal sufficiency by the Office of the County Attorney, between Broward County and South Broward Hospital District d/b/a Memorial Healthcare System, for funding of a Post-Acute Sequela of COVID Center, in the amount of \$750,160, effective retroactively from September 1, 2021, through September 30, 2022; authorize the County Administrator to execute non-monetary amendments to the Agreement, subject to review for legal sufficiency by the Office of the County Attorney, that do not significantly alter the approved scope of work; and authorize the County Administrator to take all necessary administrative and budgetary actions to implement the Agreement.

ACTION: (T-10:43 AM) Approved.

VOTE: 7-0. Commissioner Bogen was out of the room during the vote. Commissioner Ryan was not present.

ACTION: (T-11:13 AM) Through Mayor Geller, Commissioners Bogen and Ryan requested being shown voting in the affirmative.

VOTE: 9-0.

B. MOTION TO APPROVE waivers of conflict under Section 112.313(7)(a), Florida Statutes, for the following Broward County advisory board members holding an employment or contractual relationship with an entity receiving funds for the performance of services under this agenda item: Melida J. Akiti, Valery V. Moreno and Peter P. Powers.

ACTION: (T-10:43 AM) Approved.

VOTE: 7-0. Commissioner Bogen was out of the room during the vote. Commissioner Ryan was not present.

ACTION: (T-11:13 AM) Through Mayor Geller, Commissioners Bogen and Ryan requested being shown voting in the affirmative.

VOTE: 9-0.

Why Action is Necessary

A. Broward County Board of County Commissioners ("Commission") approval is required for agreements with external agencies.

B. A waiver of a conflict arising under Section 112.313(7)(a), Florida Statutes, requires two-thirds approval by the Commission.

What Action Accomplishes

Motion provides funds for the following services: medication management, care coordination, medical and specialty care for Broward County residents being served in a Post-Acute Sequela of COVID ("PASC") Center.

Is this Action Goal Related

Yes

Previous Action Taken

None

Summary Explanation/Background

THE HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND THE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS DIVISION RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE ABOVE MOTION.

This action supports the Commission's value of "approaching human services collaboratively and compassionately, with special emphasis on the most vulnerable" and the goal to "effectively advocate for and acquire municipal, state and federal financial support to equitably address health and human services needs of the entire community, through a truly coordinated system of care." The clinical center will implement comprehensive strategies and coordinated care from several sub-specialties to serve post-COVID patients.

Broward County Human Services Department is requesting Commission authorization for the appropriation and disbursement of general funds to South Broward Hospital District d/b/a Memorial Healthcare System ("MHS"), for a PASC Center. MHS will establish a clinical center to implement comprehensive strategies and coordinated care from several sub-specialties to serve 500-1,000 post-COVID patients for a pilot period of 12 months. MHS will work with the individuals to develop a detailed treatment and service plan based on the needs identified in the assessment.

Approval of this item gives the County Administrator authority to execute the Agreement to provide funding to MHS in the amount of \$750,160, on a reimbursement basis, for eligible payroll expenses for employees providing services in the PASC Center. Retroactive approval to September 1, 2021, is requested to allow Memorial to request reimbursement for eligible payroll expenses to maximize utilization of funds.

Approval of this item would give rise to certain employment conflicts under Section 112.313(7)(a), Florida Statutes, which provides that "no public officer... shall have or hold any employment or contractual relationship with any business entity... which is... doing business with an agency of which

he or she is an officer or employee." In accordance with 112.313(12), Florida Statutes, Commission approval is required to waive any conflict of interest arising under Section 112.313(7)(a), Florida Statutes. An effective waiver requires two-thirds vote of the Commission after disclosure of the conflicting relationship (Motion B) in accordance with Section 112.313(12), Florida Statutes. Forms 4A, Disclosure of Business Transaction, Relationship, or Interest, are attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and constitute full disclosure of any existing conflicts.

Source of Additional Information

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Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary

\$750,160 in funding will come from Broward County general funds.