

## HUMAN SERVICES FUNDING AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT (Agreement), effective upon the date executed below, by and between **PINELLAS COUNTY**, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, hereinafter called the "**COUNTY**," and **COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS OF PINELLAS, INC.**, a non-profit Florida corporation, whose address is 1344 22<sup>nd</sup> Street South, St. Petersburg, FL 33712, hereinafter called the "**AGENCY**."

### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2019, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution 19-53, adopting a "Health in All Policies" approach to county decision-making; and

WHEREAS, the health and well-being of Pinellas County residents are critical for a prosperous and sustainable community; and

WHEREAS, health is influenced by many factors beyond genetics and medical care, including the social, economic, service, and physical environments, both natural and built, and conditions in which people live, learn, work, play, and age. These environments and conditions are known as the social determinants of health; and

WHEREAS, policies implemented by the **COUNTY** related to food access, housing, transportation, public safety, education, criminal justice, and economic development significantly affect health inequities and the social determinants of health; and

WHEREAS, the **COUNTY** is committed to assisting residents in need of medical care; and

WHEREAS, the epidemic of opioid misuse in the State of Florida has resulted in the declaration of a Public Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, the **COUNTY** and **AGENCY** agree that expanding low and/or no-cost healthcare will benefit and improve health outcomes of the Lealman community; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY recognizes that an increase in dental care for Pinellas County residents can lead to reduced dental-related Emergency Department (ED) visits and improved health outcomes overall; and

WHEREAS, the AGENCY has requested COUNTY financial support to meet its goals in addressing these concerns in the community; and,

WHEREAS, the COUNTY recognizes that the AGENCY is currently providing essential health services within the community; and

WHEREAS, the estimated costs of services provided by AGENCY is approximately \$525,831.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto do mutually agree as follows:

1. **Recitals**

The above “WHEREAS” clauses are incorporated into and are made a part of this Agreement.

2. **Scope of Services.**

- a. In order to expand access to healthcare, the AGENCY will continue to perform services as outlined within the Expansion of Health Services proposal (Attachment 1). Services may be amended to address expanded healthcare needs by mutual written agreement of the COUNTY and AGENCY without the need to further amend this Agreement.
- b. The AGENCY shall continue to support efforts to address substance abuse and treatment including:

- i. **AGENCY** shall participate and collaborate in the Pinellas County Opioid Task Force activities aimed to reduce the number of opioid based death and injuries in the County.
- ii. **AGENCY** shall establish county-wide naloxone kits distribution points at Community Health Centers of Pinellas (CHCP) service locations.
  - 1) **AGENCY** shall establish necessary procedures and protocols for receiving and distribution of naloxone through organization's pharmacy program.
  - 2) **AGENCY** shall participate in available no-cost State of Florida programs to obtain naloxone.
  - 3) **AGENCY's** full patient service team will receive an education of naloxone distribution and patient training.
  - 4) **AGENCY** shall conduct annual training for all providers as it relates to naloxone effectiveness as an overdose response option.
- iii. **AGENCY** shall conduct an ongoing education program on opioid death and abuse prevention for CHCP dentists and members of dental staff.
- iv. **AGENCY** shall collaborate with Florida A&M University (FAMU) to incorporate information on proper use and disposal of prescription opioids within the framework Medication Therapy Management (MTM) program.
- v. **AGENCY** shall utilize CHCP Obstetrics (OB) and pediatric program to collaborate with community partners on Substance Exposed Newborn (SEN) programs.

- vi. **AGENCY** shall establish dedicated positions for Case Management and Community Health Outreach to improve patient engagement, community-outreach, and patient connection to substance abuse provider or other referrals.
- c. The **AGENCY** shall assist with addressing the need for quality and equitable health care services for residents of Lealman community by expanding access to high-quality health services.
  - i. **AGENCY** shall continue to provide service access for the Lealman Community, to include increased healthcare capacity and extending hours of operation.
  - ii. **AGENCY** shall continue a minimum of part-time behavioral health services at all locations.
  - iii. **AGENCY** shall maintain a staff of Community Health Workers to connect patients with medical and social service support, track utilization, and assure continuity of care.
  - iv. **AGENCY** shall provide substance abuse prevention activities and proactive case management for patients with substance abuse diagnoses.
- d. **AGENCY** shall improve and maintain access to dental care for residents of South St. Petersburg and Clearwater
  - i. **AGENCY** shall continue expanded service access by hiring additional dental and ancillary staff.

3. **Term of Agreement.**

The term of this Agreement shall commence upon execution and expire on September 30, 2021.

4. **Compensation.**

a. COUNTY agrees to pay an amount not to exceed \$525,831.00 in the form of an Intergovernmental Transfer for the services described in Section 1 of this Agreement, contingent upon availability and participation in the State of Florida Low Income Pool (LIP) and supporting Letter of Agreement (LOA) executed with the State of Florida.

b. No funds shall be disbursed without written authorization from the AGENCY of the intent to move forward with services. Upon receiving written notification and direction by AGENCY, payment shall be made to the State of Florida pursuant to the LIP LOAs or subsequently designed state low-income healthcare pool.

c. Participation in the LIP LOAs by the COUNTY shall satisfy COUNTY'S responsibility under this section of this Agreement. In the event AGENCY fails to provide services in accordance with this Agreement throughout the entire term of this Agreement, AGENCY shall refund payment to the COUNTY on a pro-rated basis.

d. Any funds expended in violation of this Agreement or in violation of appropriate Federal, State, and County requirements shall be refunded in full to the COUNTY. If this Agreement is still in force, future payments shall be withheld by the COUNTY.

5. **Performance Measures.**

The AGENCY agrees to submit mutually agreed upon quarterly reports and outcomes to the COUNTY. Reports shall be submitted to the COUNTY no later than thirty (30) days following the end of the quarter. Where no activity has occurred within the preceding period, the AGENCY

shall provide a written explanation for non-activity during the quarter, and no payments will be due and/or reimbursed. The reports shall be submitted in a mutually agreed upon format.

6. **Monitoring.**

- a. **AGENCY** will comply with **COUNTY** and departmental policies and procedures.
- b. **AGENCY** will cooperate in monitoring site visits including, but not limited to, review of staff, fiscal and client records and provision of related information at any reasonable time.
- c. **AGENCY** will submit other reports and information in mutually agreed upon formats.
- d. **AGENCY** will submit reports on any monitoring of the program funded in whole or in part by the **COUNTY** that are conducted by federal, state or local governmental agencies or other funders.
- e. If the **AGENCY** receives accreditation results, each accreditation result will be submitted to the **COUNTY** after receipt by **AGENCY**.
- f. All monitoring reports will be as detailed as may be reasonably requested by the **COUNTY** and will be deemed incomplete if not satisfactory to the **COUNTY** as determined in its sole reasonable discretion. Reports will contain the information or be in the format as mutually agreed upon by both parties. If approved by the **COUNTY**, the **COUNTY** will accept a report from another monitoring agency in lieu of reports customarily required by the **COUNTY**.

7. **Documentation.**

The **AGENCY** shall maintain and provide the following documents upon request by the **COUNTY** within three (3) business days of receiving the request.

- a. Articles of Incorporation

- b. **AGENCY** By-Laws
- c. Past 12 months of financial statements and receipts
- d. Membership list of governing board
- e. All legally required licenses
- f. Latest agency financial audit and management letter
- g. Biographical data on the **AGENCY** chief executive and program director
- h. Equal Employment Opportunity Program
- i. Inventory system – (equipment records)
- j. IRS Status Certification/501 (c) (3)
- k. Current job descriptions for staff positions
- l. Match documentation

8. **Emergency, Disaster, or Critical Event Response.**

Community partners are critical to effective community response in a disaster. **AGENCY** must effectively prepare their organization for continuity of continued services as necessary prior, during, and post disaster and must be ready to respond to community needs as determined appropriate and necessary by the **COUNTY** under this agreement. At a minimum, this may include:

a. **AGENCY** will work with the **COUNTY**, through its Human Services and Emergency Management Departments, to prepare and respond in the event of an emergency, disaster, or critical event response.

b. **AGENCY** will work on its Continuity of Operations Plan and Disaster Response Plan in coordination with the **COUNTY**, as set forth above, including staffing plans where

necessary and appropriate. A copy will be provided to the **COUNTY** prior to June 1, 2021, or otherwise upon request.

c. The **COUNTY** agrees to support previously approved funded programs for a period of at least sixty (60) days after a disaster has been declared, provided the program agrees to address needs for disaster response and recovery efforts as directed by the **COUNTY**, unless otherwise indicated by a superseding authority such as state or federal government or licensing body. This period may be extended within the current contract period at the discretion of the Human Services Director.

d. The **COUNTY** will seek to leverage the contracted skills and services of the **AGENCY**, as appropriate or applicable; however, other duties may be assigned as required by the **COUNTY** for response. This may include reassignment of **COUNTY** funded staff and resources under the agreement or other dedicated **AGENCY** assistance to aid with community response.

e. Cooperative plans regarding preparedness and emergency event operations will be developed and maintained by the **COUNTY** and **AGENCY** as necessary for response. These plans will be implemented using the County's established activation process for events. For man-made or sudden onset events the **COUNTY** and **AGENCY** will discuss community impacts and decide how best to meet the community's response. Along with immediate response, **AGENCY** agrees to participate in follow-up activities to help stabilize the community in a coordinated manner such as resource connection events, outreach, and adjustments to service delivery to meet needs.

f. If **AGENCY** is unwilling to perform duties as described in this Section, payments may be withheld at the direction of the Director of Human Services until operations continue.

g. **AGENCY** will track and maintain detailed operational records when activated.



9. **Termination.**

a. If the **AGENCY** fails to fulfill or abide by any of the provisions of this Agreement, **AGENCY** shall be considered in material breach of the Agreement. Where the **COUNTY** determines that a material breach can be corrected, **AGENCY** shall be given thirty (30) days to cure said breach. If **AGENCY** fails to cure, or if the breach is of the nature that the **COUNTY** has determined cannot be corrected, or that the harm caused cannot be undone, **COUNTY** may immediately terminate this Agreement, with cause, upon notice in writing to the **AGENCY**.

b. In the event the **AGENCY** uses any funds provided by this Agreement for any purpose or program other than authorized under this Agreement, the **AGENCY** shall repay such amount and, at the option of the **COUNTY**, be deemed to have waived the privilege of receiving additional funds under this Agreement.

c. In the event sufficient budgeted funds are not available for a new fiscal period or are otherwise encumbered, the **COUNTY** shall notify the **AGENCY** of such occurrence and the Agreement shall terminate on the last day of the then current fiscal period without penalty or expense to the **COUNTY**.

d. **AGENCY** reserves the right to cancel this Agreement without cause by giving thirty (30) days prior notice to the **COUNTY** in writing of the intention to cancel. In the event **AGENCY** fails to provide services in accordance with this Agreement throughout the entire term of this Agreement, **AGENCY** shall refund payment to the **COUNTY**.

10. **Assignment/Subcontracting.**

a. This Agreement, and any rights or obligations hereunder, shall not be assigned, transferred or delegated to any other person or entity. Any purported assignment in violation of this section shall be null and void.

b. The **AGENCY** is fully responsible for completion of the Services required by this Agreement and for completion of all subcontractor work, if authorized as provided herein. The **AGENCY** shall not subcontract any work under this Agreement to any subcontractor other than the subcontractors specified in the proposal and previously approved by the **COUNTY**, without the prior written consent of the **COUNTY**, which shall be determined by the **COUNTY** in its sole discretion.

11. **Amendment/Modification.**

In addition to applicable federal, state and local statutes and regulations, this Agreement expresses the entire understanding of the parties concerning all matters covered herein. No addition to, or alteration of, the terms of this Agreement, whether by written or verbal understanding of the parties, their officers, agents or employees, shall be valid unless made in the form of a written amendment to this Agreement and formally approved by the parties. Budget modifications that do not result in an increase of funding, change the purpose of this Agreement or otherwise amend the terms of this Agreement shall be submitted in the format prescribed and provided by the **COUNTY**.

12. **Indemnification.**

The **AGENCY** agrees to indemnify, pay the cost of defense, including attorney's fees, and hold harmless the **COUNTY**, its officers, employees and agents from all damages, suits, actions or claims, including reasonable attorney's fees incurred by the **COUNTY**, of any character brought on account of any injuries or damages received or sustained by any person, persons, or property, or in any way relating to or arising from the Agreement; or on account of any act or omission, neglect or misconduct of **AGENCY**; or by, or on account of, any claim or amounts recovered under the Workers' Compensation Law or of any other laws, regulations, ordinance, order or

decree; or arising from or by reason of any actual or claimed trademark, patent or copyright infringement or litigation based thereon; except only such injury or damage as shall have been occasioned by the sole negligence of the COUNTY.

13. **HIPAA**

The AGENCY is a Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) covered entity and AGENCY agrees to use and disclose Protected Health Information in compliance with the Standards for Privacy, Security and Breach Notification of Individually Identifiable Health Information (45 C.F.R. Parts 160 and 164) under the HIPAA and the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH Act) and shall disclose any policies, rules or regulations enforcing these provisions upon request.

14. **Public Entities Crimes.**

The AGENCY is directed to the Florida Public Entities Crime Act, Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, and represents to the COUNTY that the AGENCY is qualified to transact business with public entities in Florida and that its performance of the Agreement will comply with all applicable laws including those referenced herein. The AGENCY represents and certifies that the AGENCY is and will at all times remain eligible for and perform the services subject to the requirements of these, and other applicable, laws. The AGENCY agrees that any contract awarded to the AGENCY will be subject to termination by the COUNTY if the AGENCY fails to comply or to maintain such compliance.

15. **Business Practices.**

a. The AGENCY shall utilize financial procedures in accordance with generally accepted accounting procedures and Florida Statutes, including adequate supporting documents, to account for the use of funds provided by the COUNTY.

b. The **AGENCY** shall retain all records (programmatic, property, personnel, and financial) relating to this Agreement for three (3) years after final payment is made.

c. All **AGENCY** records relating to this Agreement shall be subject to audit by the **COUNTY** and shall be subject to the applicable provisions of the Florida Public Records Act, chapter 119, Florida Statutes. In addition, the **AGENCY** shall provide an independent audit to the **COUNTY**, if so requested by the **COUNTY**.

16. **Nondiscrimination.**

a. The **AGENCY** shall not discriminate against any applicant for employment or employee with respect to hire, tenure, terms, conditions or privileges of employment or any matter directly or indirectly related to employment or against any client because of age, sex, race, ethnicity, color, religion, national origin, disability, marital status, or sexual orientation.

b. The **AGENCY** shall not discriminate against any person on the basis of age, sex, race, ethnicity, color, religion, national origin, disability, marital status or sexual orientation in admission, treatment, or participation in its programs, services and activities.

c. The **AGENCY** shall, during the performance of this Agreement, comply with all applicable provisions of federal, state and local laws and regulations pertaining to prohibited discrimination.

d. At no time will clients served under this Agreement be segregated or separated in a manner that may distinguish them from other clients being served by the **AGENCY**.

17. **Conflict of Interest.**

The **AGENCY** shall promptly notify the **COUNTY** in writing of any business association, interest, or other circumstance which constitutes a conflict of interest as provided herein. If the **AGENCY** is in doubt as to whether a prospective business association, interest, or other

circumstance constitutes a conflict of interest, the **AGENCY** may identify the prospective business association, interest or circumstance, the nature of work that the **AGENCY** may undertake and request an opinion as to whether the business association, interest or circumstance constitutes a conflict of interest if entered into by the **AGENCY**. The **COUNTY** agrees to notify the **AGENCY** of its opinion within (10) calendar days of receipt of notification by the **AGENCY**, which shall be binding on the **AGENCY**.

18. **Independent Contractor.**

It is expressly understood and agreed by the parties that **AGENCY** is at all times hereunder acting and performing as an independent contractor and not as an agent, servant, or employee of the **COUNTY**. No agent, employee, or servant of the **AGENCY** shall be, or shall be deemed to be, the agent or servant of the **COUNTY**. None of the benefits provided by the **COUNTY** to their employees including, but not limited to, Worker's Compensation Insurance and Unemployment Insurance are available from **COUNTY** to the employees, agents, or servants of the **AGENCY**.

19. **Additional Funding.**

Funds from this Agreement shall be used as the matching portion for any federal or state grant only in the manner provided by Federal and State law and applicable Federal and State rules and regulations. The **AGENCY** agrees to make all reasonable efforts to obtain funding from additional sources wherever said **AGENCY** may qualify. Should this Agreement reflect a required match, documentation of said match is required to be provided to the **COUNTY**.

20. **Governing Law.**

The laws of the State of Florida shall govern this Agreement.

21. **Conformity to the Law.**

The **AGENCY** shall comply with all federal, state and local laws and ordinances and any rules or regulations adopted thereunder.

22. **Prior Agreement, Waiver, and Severability.**

This Agreement supersedes any prior Agreements between the Parties and is the sole basis for agreement between the Parties. The waiver of either party of a violation or default of any provision of this Agreement shall not operate as, or be construed to be, a waiver of any subsequent violation or default hereof. If any provision, or any portion thereof, contained in this Agreement is held unconstitutional, invalid, or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement, or portion thereof, shall be deemed severable, shall not be affected, and shall remain in full force and effect.

23. **Agreement Management.**

Pinellas County Human Services designates the following person(s) as the liaison for the **COUNTY:**

Tim Burns, Planning and Contracts  
Pinellas County Human Services  
440 Court Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Clearwater, Florida 33756


**AGENCY** designates the following person(s) as the liaison:

Elodie Dorso, CEO  
Community Health Centers of Pinellas, Inc.  
1344 22<sup>nd</sup> St. South  
St. Petersburg, FL 33712

SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this instrument to be executed on the day and year written below.

PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA, by and through its Board of County Commissioners

By:   
Barry A. Burton,  
County Administrator

Date: September 12, 2020, 2020

Community Health Centers of Pinellas, Inc.

By: 

Name: Elodie Dorso

Title: CEO

Date: 9/2/2020, 2020

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
OFFICE OF COUNTY ATTORNEY

By:   
Assistant County Attorney