



# Pinellas County

## Staff Report

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### **Subject:**

Interlocal Agreement with the Florida Department of Health in Pinellas County for the Pinellas County Health Program and the Health Care for the Homeless program.

### **Recommended Action:**

Approval of the Interlocal Agreement with the Florida Department of Health in Pinellas County (DOH) for the Pinellas County Health Program (PCHP) and the Health Care for the Homeless (HCH) program (aka the Blue Card program).

- This agreement enables DOH to provide Healthcare services for eligible and enrolled PCHP/HCH clients' six locations throughout the County as well as the Mobile Medical Unit, the Street Medicine Van, and the Bayside Clinic.
- General Funding in an amount not to exceed \$9,361,554.37 per Fiscal Year (FY) has been identified for FY24.
- Additionally Grant Funds total approximately \$2.1M through March 2024. Grant funds are comprised of three grant awards: recurring HRSA grant of \$1,289,232.00 annually for the current year (ending February 28, 2024) and the next year (starting March 1, 2024); the American Rescue Plan award \$812,815.00 (ending March 30, 2024); and COVID-19 vaccination award (ending December 31, 2023) total \$86,494.00.
- This is a new three-year agreement with a two-year renewal option which is replacing a previous five-year agreement with DOH for these services.
- No match required.

### **Strategic Plan:**

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community.

2.2 Be a facilitator, convener and purchaser of services for those in need.

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

5.1 Maximize partner relationships and public outreach.

5.2 Be responsible stewards of the Public and Our Customers.

5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of county services and support.

### **Summary:**

Funding for this Agreement enables DOH to provide Healthcare services for eligible and enrolled PCHP/HCH clients' six (6) locations throughout the County as well as the MMU, the Street Medicine Van, and the Bayside Clinic. Additionally, DOH manages and provides, through sub-contracted agreements, specialty care, behavioral health services, prescription assistance program and community dental services. DOH works with Human Services for quality assurance and program

optimization.

This is a three (3) year Agreement with a two-year (2) renewal option.

**Background Information:**

Pinellas County Human Services has partnered with the DOH to provide prevention-focused healthcare to eligible Pinellas County residents. DOH has a proven system of providing high quality, effective and cost-efficient services to the residents of Pinellas County.

In October 2022 through June 2023, DOH provided 4,271 medical encounters and 3,083 dental encounters to PCHP clients, and 4,174 medical encounters and 2,372 dental encounters to HCH clients.

**Fiscal Impact:**

Funding in an amount not to exceed \$11,314,105.60 per fiscal year (FY) has been identified through a combination of Human Services' anticipated FY24 General Fund appropriation and grant funding through the HRSA.

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An Agreement not to exceed amount of \$11,314,105.60 provides department the ability to timely accommodate supplemental grant awards through the term of this Agreement.

**Staff Member Responsible:**

Karen Yatchum, Director, Human Services

**Partners:**

DOH  
HCH Co-Applicant Board  
Advent Hospital-North Pinellas  
BayCare Hospital  
Bayfront Hospital  
BayCare Homecare  
Directions for Living  
Operation PAR

**Attachments:**

Interlocal Agreement  
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