# COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

# **Pinellas County**

# Staff Report

File #: 23-0691A, Version: 1

# Subject:

Memorandum of Agreement with the State of Florida Department of Health to pre-position the Strategic National Stockpile CHEMPACK Assets and CHEMPACK Containers in Pinellas County, Florida.

### **Recommended Action:**

Approval of the agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Health to pre-position the Strategic National Stockpile's CHEMPACK Assets and CHEMPACK Containers in Pinellas County, Florida.

- There is no fiscal impact to the County for this Memorandum of Agreement.
- This contract provides for the placement of CHEMPACK Assets and CHEMPACK Containers at a defined Cache Location within Pinellas County.
- Provides the ability to effectively respond to a Public Health nerve agent event.
- The agreement shall remain in effect until otherwise agreed to by the Parties.
- This agreement replaces the current agreement in place since 2013.

# Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

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

# **Summary:**

The Chempack Program is designed to provide state and local governments a sustainable resource of "forward" placed nerve agent antidotes that will greatly improve their capability to respond quickly to a nerve agent incident. State and local government participation in the CHEMPACK Program is voluntary.

The CHEMPACK Program has three main goals:

- 1. Forward place CDC owned nerve agent antidotes in each project area
- 2. Provide project areas a sustainable supply of nerve agent antidote through the Shelf-Life Extension Program (SLEP).
- 3. Provide a cost-effective strategy that will save lives through the availability of prepositioned nerve agent antidotes

# **Background/Explanation:**

This agreement replaces a current agreement in place since 2013.

# **Fiscal Impact:**

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N/A

# **Delegated Authority:**

Authority for the County Administrator to sign this Agreement is granted under Code Section 2-62 (a) (1).

# Staff Member Responsible:

Jim Fogarty, Bureau Director, Safety and Emergency Services Merry Celeste, Division Director, Purchasing & Risk, Administrative Services Joe Lauro, Director, Administrative Services

### Partners:

Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR) - an operating agency of the US Public Health Service within the Department of Health and Human Services
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) - an operating agency under the Department of Health and Human Services
State of Florida Department of Health
Paramedics Logistics Florida - Sunstar Paramedics

### **Attachments:**

Pinellas County CHEMPACK MOA
Appendix III- MOA between ASPR and the State
CHEMPACK Memorandum of Agreement 10-2-13 (Historical)