

Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, TN

Legislation Text

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A resolution approving a grant contract between the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, and the Mental Health Cooperative to provide funds to operate a 24/7 Mental Health Coop Treatment Center to provide urgent mental health care alternatives to the emergency room or jail.

WHEREAS, Metropolitan Charter Section 10.104 provides that the Board of Health has the duty to contract for such services as will further the program and policies of the board, subject to confirmation by Resolution of Council; and,

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, wishes to contract with the Mental Health Cooperative to provide funds to operate a 24/7 Mental Health Coop Treatment Center to provide urgent mental health care alternatives to the emergency room or jail; and,

WHEREAS, it is to the benefit of the citizens of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County that this grant contract be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That the grant contract by and between the Mental Health Cooperative and the Metropolitan Government, acting by and through the Metropolitan Board of Health, to provide funds to operate a 24/7 Mental Health Coop Treatment Center to provide urgent mental health care alternatives to the emergency room or jail, is hereby approved.

Section 2. That this resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of The Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

Analysis

This resolution approves a grant contract between the Metropolitan Board of Health and the Mental Health Cooperative ("MHC") to provide funds to operate a 24/7 Mental Health Coop Treatment Center to provide urgent mental health care alternatives to the emergency room or jail.

Pursuant to the agreement, MHC will serve as a visible and expedient source of emergency psychiatric care, including crisis treatment, crisis stabilization, and respite care. The funds will be used to operate a 24/7 Mental Health Coop Treatment Center ("MHCTC") mental health urgent care alternative to the emergency room or jail.

Pursuant to the terms of the agreement, MHC will receive \$2,508,400 to be used for the following outcomes:

- MHCTC will maintain a monthly average of 90 individuals referred by MNPD who require psychiatric emergency care.
- MHCTC will assume the responsibility of a minimum of 225 walk-in individuals for psychiatric emergency care per month.
- MHCTC will assume the responsibility of a minimum of 170 individuals for crisis stabilization and respite care per month.

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- MHCTC will maintain an average drop-off time for MNPD of 10 minutes or less.
- MHCTC will partner with Metro officials to enhance access to psychiatric emergency care.

MHC would be required to collect data to evaluate the effectiveness of services provided under the contract and provide the results to Metro. The term of the grant begins July 1, 2022 and ends June 30, 2023.

Fiscal Note: Metro would pay \$2,508,400 to Mental Health Cooperative to provide funds to operate a 24/7 Mental Health Coop Treatment Center for mental health care alternatives to the emergency room or jail.