



**COMMISSIONERS COURT
COMMUNICATION**

COURT ORDER NUMBER CO#143966
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DATE: 10/1/2024

SUBJECT: RECEIVE AND FILE THE AUDITOR'S REPORT OF THE MY HEALTH MY RESOURCES CONTRACT FOR INMATE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court receive and file the Auditor's Report of the My Health My Resources (MHMR) Contract for Inmate Mental Health Services.

BACKGROUND

In accordance with Local Government Code, the Auditor's Office reviewed the controls established by MHMR to determine whether the amounts billed to Tarrant County complied with the terms of the contract. Specifically, the Auditor's Office reviewed the April 2024 through June 2024 invoices, totaling approximately \$1.87 million.

On March 19, 2024, The Commissioners Court, through Court Order #142801, approved the contract between Tarrant County and MHMR in an amount not to exceed \$7,921,459.00 for the term of September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024.

As of the date of the Auditor's Report, Tarrant County has paid MHMR approximately \$6.35 million for behavioral health and intellectual disability services to inmates in the Tarrant County jail system. The contract requires that MHMR staff provide onsite services 24 hours per day, 7 days a week, to divert individuals from the criminal justice system into an alternative program more suited to each individual's needs. Services include screening and evaluation, recommendations for psychiatric treatment needs and evaluations, counseling and support, competency hearings, and more. Furthermore, the Texas Commission on Jail Standards mandates psychiatric or psychological evaluations within 72 hours of detention or pre-trial release.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

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The Honorable Bill Waybourn, Sheriff
The Honorable District Judges
The Honorable Commissioners Court

Re: Auditor's Report - Review of the MHMR Contract


In accordance with Local Government Code, the Auditor's Office reviewed the controls established by MHMR to determine whether the amounts billed to Tarrant County complied with the terms of the contract. Specifically, the Auditor's Office reviewed the April 2024 through June 2024 invoices, totaling approximately \$1.87 million. As a result, we observed the following:

- The personnel and staff support costs billed to the Sheriff were reasonable based on MHMR's payroll registers and general ledger balances. Furthermore, the positions and titles of the personnel provided to the jail agreed with the terms of the contract.
- The allocation methodology used to invoice various program support costs and other costs, including computer user fees and software costs, to the jail contract was reasonable and consistent.

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We appreciate the assistance of the MHMR and Sheriff's Office staff during our review. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely,


Kimberly M. Buchanan, CPA
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Ms. Buchanan,

The Sheriff's Office appreciates Audit's review of the My Health My Resources (MHMR) contract with Tarrant County and its actual operations. Thank you for the time and effort your team put into the project.

The Sheriff's Office agrees with the Auditors observations. If you have any questions in the future, please do not hesitate to contact our office.


Calvin Bond
Senior Chief Deputy