

**COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION**

DATE: November 26, 2012

TO: Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors
Supervisor Peggy Romo-West, Chair, Committee on Health and Human Services
Supervisor Willie Johnson Jr., Chair, Committee on Finance, Personnel and Audit

FROM: Maria Ledger, Director, Milwaukee County Department of Family Care 

SUBJECT: Request for authorization to execute a professional services contract with The Medical College of Wisconsin for medical consultant services to be provided in 2013 with vendor service fees not to exceed \$100,000 in 2013 and to renew for one additional year for up to a total of two additional years upon satisfactory performance and at the sole discretion of the MCDFC Director upon the same terms and conditions.

I respectfully request that the attached resolution be scheduled for consideration by the Committee on Health and Human Needs at its meeting on December 12, 2012 and the Committee on Finance, Personnel and Audit on December 13, 2012.

MCDFC operates a Managed Care Organization (MCO) in accordance with the Contract between Milwaukee County Department of Family Care and the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services. In addition to other requirements, MCDFC is responsible for providing those services in the Family Care benefit package that are medically necessary. MCDFC is required to provide covered services and coordinate non-covered Medical Assistance service, including acute and primary care to all enrolled members.

MCDFC is charged with the responsibility of determining the most cost-effective services necessary to support the health and safety of members enrolled in the Managed Care Organization (MCO) operated by MCDFC. MCDFC will benefit from the services of a medical consultant to develop and oversee practice guidelines that ensure delivery of care consistent with contemporary clinical and economic standards. The medical consultant can provide support, guidance and clinical oversight to care managers and nurses responsible for authorization and coordination of services to members enrolled in MCDFC's Managed Care Organization.

The Medical College of Wisconsin has identified a licensed and experienced physician capable of providing the necessary services to support the continued successful operation of MCDFC and the cost-effective management of service utilization on behalf of members.

The Milwaukee County Department of Family Care requests authority to execute a professional services contract in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 with The Medical College of Wisconsin to provide medical consultant services to be performed under the direct supervision of the Director of MCDFC or her designee. The Director of the Department of Family Care requests authority to

extend this agreement for one additional year for up to a total of two additional years upon the same terms and conditions without need for further action of the Board. This Professional Services Contract is contingent upon continued funding from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services for administration and delivery of the Family Care benefit by the Department of Family Care and County Board authorization for continued participation by the Department of Family Care as a Managed Care Organization (MCO) during the term of this agreement and renewal.

If you have questions concerning the proposed Professional Services Contract between MCDFC and The Medical College of Wisconsin, you may contact Maria Ledger at 287-7610.

Attachment

cc: County Executive Chris Abele
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