## **COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE**

Inter-Office Communication

Date: May 19, 2023

To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

From: Shakita LaGrant-McClain, Director, Department of Health and Human Services

Subject: Report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting

authorization to pay Roeschen's Healthcare LLC (doing business as Omnicare of Milwaukee) for essential medical services under a 2023 Professional Service Agreement and requesting a waiver of Sections 56.30 (8) and (9) of the

Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances

File Type: Action Report

# **REQUEST**

The Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), is requesting authorization to pay for pharmaceutical supplies and medications provided to youth residing in the detention center at the Vel R. Phillips Youth and Family Justice Center prior to contracts being signed with Omnicare.

#### **POLICY**

DHHS is seeking a waiver of Sections 56.30 (8) and (9) of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances and authorization for the Office of the Comptroller to pay Roeschen's Healthcare LLC (doing business as Omnicare of Milwaukee) approximately \$10,000 for medical services under a Professional Service Agreement before all parties signed the Agreements.

Milwaukee County Ordinance	56.30

#### **BACKGROUND**

The CYFS 2023 professional services agreement for \$20,000 with Omnicare was approved before the County Board in December of 2022 under File 22-1116. After the approval, the draft contract was sent out by DHHS Contract Administration to both agencies for review on December 16, 2022. Omnicare just recently responded back on the contract and all outstanding contract issues have now been resolved.

On April 14, 2023, DHHS and Omnicare agreed to the final draft of the contract. Additional information about the Omnicare services is below:

 Omnicare of Milwaukee provides medical and pharmaceutical supplies and medications for youth placed in the youth detention center who do not have access to insurance coverage or access to immediate medications needed for their health and safety.

CYFS is seeking approval to pay the invoices for services provided by Omnicare to youth in the detention center prior to the contracts being signed and executed. The services being invoiced occurred from January 1, 2023 through April 30, 2023.

### ALIGNMENT TO STRATEGIC PLAN

The CYFS contracts with community-based agencies in order to support the youth who are in care in the youth detention center and ensures a racial equity lens is utilized in all program and contract decisions. The CYFS programs enhance the quality of life for youth and their families in Milwaukee County. There are ongoing efforts to reform the youth justice system in Milwaukee County to build upon the community continuum of care, individualize all case planning and services for youth in the community whenever possible and break down the silos in the system across all entities.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors waive Sections 56.30 (8) and (9) of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances and authorize the Office of the Comptroller to pay Omnicare approximately \$10,000 for professional services under a Professional Service Agreement for pharmaceutical supplies and medications before all parties signed the Agreements.

### **FISCAL EFFECT**

The 2023 DHHS Adopted Budget includes funding for the professional service agreement.

#### **TERMS**

The professional service agreement reflects a term of January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023.

## **VIRTUAL MEETING INVITES**

Shakita LaGrant-McClain, DHHS Director Kelly Pethke, Administrator Clare O'Brien, DHHS Budget & Policy Director

#### PREPARED BY:

Kelly Pethke, CYFS Administrator

**APPROVED BY:** 

Shakita LaGrant-McClain
Shakita LaGrant-McClain, DHHS Director

# **ATTACHMENTS:**

Resolution and Fiscal Note

cc: County Executive David Crowley

Hon. Carl Ashley, Chief Judge

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