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TO: The Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Cheryl Archbald, MD MPH
Acting Commissioner, Department of Health

DATE: January 19, 2011

RE: Authority – pursuant to Part A of the Federal Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act – to accept funding from the City of New York in the not-to-exceed amount of \$6,500,000 and to enter into contracts with various health and supportive care agencies for the provision of HIV-related services for the budget period 3/1/11 – 2/29/12

Contract Period:	3/1/11 – 2/29/12
Amount:	\$6,500,000

On July 10, 1991, the Board of Legislators authorized the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Department of Health, to participate in the Ryan White CARE Act of 1990 on an ongoing basis by entering into intergovernmental agreements with the City of New York and the Counties of Rockland and Putnam.

For purposes of Title I of the CARE Act, the Federal Health Services & Resources Administration had determined that the City of New York and the Counties of Westchester, Rockland and Putnam together (the “Tri-County region”) comprised an eligible metropolitan area and, therefore, qualify for financial support from the program. Since 1991 the City of New York and the Westchester County Department of Health entered into contract under the CARE Act – and subsequently under Part A of the present-day reauthorized Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009 – to fund HIV-related outpatient health and support services for residents in the Tri-County region through 2/28/14 (the “Agreement”) as authorized on November 26, 2008. The Agreement covers six (6) budget periods each at a not-to-exceed amount of \$6,500,000 for a total not-to-exceed contract amount of \$39,000,000.

The Department of Health, in accordance with the Tri-County Ryan White Part A Steering Committee, now requests authorization to accept funding from the City of New York in the not-to-exceed amount of \$6,500,000 for the budget period 3/1/11 – 2/29/12, and to enter into contracts for direct service provision for the same period in a total amount not to exceed \$4,853,635 for the individual agency contract budgets listed below. All agencies submitted continued funding applications with budgets subject to approval.

The Department of Health will retain a not-to-exceed amount of \$650,000 to cover its costs for administering the Ryan White program and to support planning and evaluation activities. Authorization to enter into direct service contracts for the remaining balance of \$996,365 will be sought at a later date.

These agency contracts are exempt from Section 3(a)(viii) of the Procurement Policy relating to “contracts for medical or health-related services,” and Section 3(a)(xiv) relating to procurement “for the

purpose of entering into a contract or contracts with not-for-profit organizations for the purposes of providing aid, care and support to persons in need of public assistance.”

Public Purpose The goals and objectives of these contracts are in the best interest of the County as the services to be provided benefit the public health of the citizens of Westchester. The goals of the Ryan White-funded programs are: 1) to promote the health of uninsured and underinsured Tri-County residents living with HIV/AIDS thereby minimizing avoidable opportunistic illnesses and costly hospitalizations, and 2) to stem the further spread of the HIV epidemic across the region. The goals will be met through the following three objectives: a) identifying those already infected with HIV through outreach and counseling and testing; b) linking them to primary care and medications to suppress HIV viral load and boost immune function; and c) providing supportive services to help patients maintain medical appointments and treatment regimens. These goals and objectives will continue to be measured via an ongoing quality management initiative that is jointly funded, implemented and monitored by the NYS, NYC, and Westchester County Departments of Health.

Approval of the attached resolution is respectfully requested.

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RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Acting Commissioner of Health, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester, acting by and through its Department of Health is authorized – pursuant to Part A of the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act – to accept funding from the City of New York in the not-to-exceed amount of \$6,500,000 for the budget period 3/1/11 – 2/29/12 and to enter into contracts for HIV-related services in the Tri-County region for the same period in a total amount not to exceed \$4,853,635, pursuant to an approved budget for each agency listed below; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute all appropriate contracts or documents necessary to effectuate the purposes of this resolution in the manner prescribed by law.

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Not to Exceed Amount Pursuant to Approved Budget</u>
Family Services of Westchester, Inc.	\$416,687
Grace Church Community Center, Inc.	402,000
Greyston Health Services, Inc.	254,500
Hudson River HealthCare, Inc.	154,500
Legal Aid Society of Rockland County, Inc.	84,460
Legal Services of the Hudson Valley	100,526
Mid-Hudson Valley AIDS Task Force, Inc./d.b.a. AIDS Related Community Services	835,250
Open Door Family Medical Centers, Inc.	150,000
Rockland County Department of Health	449,860
Sound Shore Medical Center of Westchester	154,500
St. John's Riverside Hospital	274,102
The Mount Vernon Hospital	254,500
The Mount Vernon Neighborhood Health Center, Inc.	200,000
The Sharing Community, Inc.	400,000
TOUCH – Together Our Unity Can Heal, Inc.	404,500
Urban League of Westchester County, Inc.	138,000
Volunteers of America – Greater New York, Inc.	180,250
Total Contracts	\$4,853,635
Westchester County Department of Health Administration	650,000
Balance of Funds (to be sought at a later date)	\$996,365

County of Westchester
January 19, 2011

Account to be
Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub- Object	Trust Account	Dollars
263	27	027L	4380	T027	\$4,853,635

Budget Funding Year(s) 2011-2012 Start Date 3/1/11 End Date 2/29/12

Funding Source Tax Dollars _____
 State Aid _____
 Federal Aid 100% pass-through
 Other _____

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