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DATE: January 24, 2012

TO: Honorable Members of the Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Grant E. Mitchell, M.D.
Commissioner, Department of Community Mental Health

SUBJECT: Authority to enter into:

- 1) a grant agreement with the United States Department of Justice to receive a grant in the amount of \$443,188 for a family-based offender substance abuse treatment program, for the term October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2013;
- 2) an agreement with St. John's Riverside Hospital, pursuant to which it will provide pre- and post-release services targeted to substance-abusing offenders who are parents, for an amount not-to-exceed \$354,128, for the term October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2013; and
- 3) an agreement with Social Policy Innovations, Inc., pursuant to which it will provide program evaluation services for the aforementioned pre- and post-release services, for an amount not-to-exceed \$47,950, for the term October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2013.

Authority is respectfully requested from your Honorable Board for the County of Westchester (the "County") to enter into a grant agreement with the United States Department of Justice ("USDOJ"), pursuant to which the County will receive from USDOJ a grant in the amount of \$443,188 for a family-based offender substance abuse treatment program, for the term from October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2013 (the "Grant Agreement").

I certify that my department, a) has copies of, or access to, all applicable laws, rules, regulations, grant applications, and grant agreements (including any master grant agreement), as well as any guidance or instructions received from the agency making the grant (the "Grant Terms"), b) has reviewed the Grant Terms, c) is aware of and understands all of the Grant Terms, and d) can and will comply with all of the Grant Terms.

Authority is also respectfully requested from your Honorable Board for the County to enter into an agreement with St. John's Riverside Hospital ("St. John's"), pursuant to which St. John's will provide pre- and post-release services targeted to substance-abusing offenders who are parents, for an amount not-to-exceed \$354,128, pursuant to an approved budget, for the term October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2013 (the "St. John's Agreement"). The St. John's

Agreement will be funded by a portion of the funds to be received by the County under the Grant Agreement.

Authority is further respectfully requested from your Honorable Board for the County to enter into an agreement with Social Policy Innovations, Inc. ("SPI"), pursuant to which SPI will provide program evaluation services for the pre- and post-release services to be provided by St. John's, for an amount not-to-exceed \$47,950, pursuant to an approved budget, for the term October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2013 (the "SPI Agreement"). The SPI Agreement will be funded by a portion of the funds to be received by the County under the Grant Agreement.

The difference of \$41,110 between the grant funds proposed to be received under the Grant Agreement and the grant funds proposed to be paid out under the St. John's Agreement and the SPI Agreement will be retained by the Department of Community Mental Health for administrative purposes.

The proposed Grant Agreement will serve a public purpose by providing the County with Federal funds for a family-based offender substance abuse treatment program. The proposed St. John's Agreement and SPI Agreement will serve a public purpose by providing the services necessary to implement an effective family-based offender substance abuse treatment program.

The goal and objective of the proposed Grant Agreement is to provide the County with Federal funds for a family-based offender substance abuse treatment program. The goals and objectives of the proposed St. John's Agreement and SPI Agreement are to provide the County with the pre- and post-release treatment services and evaluation services necessary to implement an effective family-based offender substance abuse treatment program.

The goals and objectives of the proposed Grant Agreement are in the best interests of the County in terms of fiscal responsibility, as it will make available to the County federal funds for the aforementioned services. The goals and objectives of the proposed St. John's Agreement and SPI Agreement are in the best interests of the County in terms of health and the environment, as those agreements will enable the County to provide the aforementioned services to the targeted substance-abusing populations and thereby help the members of those populations, and their families, improve their health and well-being.

The goals and objectives of the proposed agreements will be tracked and monitored by the Department of Community Mental Health.

The St. John's Agreement and the SPI Agreement are exempt from the County Procurement Policy pursuant to Section 3(a)xvii thereof.

Accordingly, I most respectfully recommend the adoption of the annexed Resolution.

GEM/TP/bdm/nn

RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of the Department of Community Mental Health, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the County of Westchester is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the United States Department of Justice (“USDOJ”), pursuant to which the County will receive from USDOJ a grant in the amount of \$443,188 for a family-based offender substance abuse treatment program, for the term October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2013 (the “Grant Agreement”); and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with St. John’s Riverside Hospital (“St. John’s”), pursuant to which St. John’s will provide pre- and post-release services targeted to substance-abusing offenders who are parents, for an amount not-to-exceed \$354,128, pursuant to an approved budget, for the term October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2013 (the “St. John’s Agreement”); and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Social Policy Innovations, Inc. (“SPI”), pursuant to which SPI will provide program evaluation services for the pre- and post-release services to be provided by St. John’s, for an amount not-to-exceed \$47,950, pursuant to an approved budget, for the term October 1, 2011 through September 30, 2013; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee is hereby authorized to take such action and execute such documents as may be necessary and proper to effect the purposes hereof.

Account to be Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Unit	Object/ Sub Object/	Trust Account	Activity	Dollars
263	26	090L	4380	T090	4000	\$208,847
263	26	090L	Various	T090	4000	\$17,556
263	26	090M	4380	T090	4000	\$193,231
263	26	090M	Various	T090	4000	\$23,554
263	26	090L	9852	T090	4000	\$226,403
263	26	090M	9852	T090	4000	\$216,785

Budget Funding Year(s) _____ Start Date: October 1, 2011 End Date: September 30, 2013
(must match resolution)

Funding Source: Tax Dollars _____
State Aid _____
Federal Aid \$443,188
Other _____
\$ 443,188 _____
(must match resolution)