

County of Albany

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Legislation Text

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REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Description (e.g., Contract Authorization for Information Services):

Authorization to award an \$6,165 Opioid Settlement Fund mini grant to Albany Medical Center

Date: 7/30/25

Department: Mental Health

Attending Meeting: Dr. Stephen Giordano and Adam Kirkman

Submitted By: Adam Kirkman

Title: Special Projects Coordinator

Phone: 518-447-2057

Purpose of Request: Budget Amendment Enter text.

CONTRACT TERMS/CONDITIONS:

Party Names and Addresses:

Alan S. Boulos, MD Albany Medical College, 47 New Scotland Ave, Albany NY 12208

Term: (Start/end date or duration) 1 Year Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: \$6,165

BUDGET INFORMATION:

Is there a Fiscal Impact: Yes ☒ No ☐

Anticipated in Budget: Yes □ No ☒ Spreadsheet attached: Yes ☒ No □

Source of Funding - (Percentages)

Federal: Enter text. County: Enter text.

State: 100% Local: Enter text.

County Budget Accounts:

Revenue Account and Line: See attached budget amendment

Revenue Amount: \$6,165

Appropriation Account and Line: See attached budget amendment

Appropriation Amount: \$6,165

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Mandated Program/Service: Yes ☐ No ☒ If Mandated, Cite Authority: Enter text.

Request for Bids / Proposals:

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Competitive Bidding Exempt:	Yes □ No ⊠	
# of Response(s):	3	
# of MWBE:	0	
# of Veteran Business:	0	
Bond Resolution No.:	Enter text.	
Apprenticeship Program	Yes □ No ⊠	

<u>Previous requests for Identical or Similar Action:</u>
Resolution/Law Number and Date: Enter text.

<u>DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST:</u> (state briefly why legislative action is requested)

The Department of Mental Health respectfully requests permission to award \$6,165 in Opioid Settlement Funding to Albany Medical College / Center in response to their proposal for funding through RFP#2025-084 Opioid Settlement Funded Treatment Provider Mini-Grants. AMC will use these funds to support the purchase of virtual reality hardware and software for their Alternatives to Opioids Pain Management Program.

In 2024, AMC received an Opioid Settlement Funded Community Grant help launch the Alternative to Opioids program, which uses a Pain Management Coach, tablet-based music and mindfulness therapy, art therapy, transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation and canine-assisted interventions to assist individuals in managing chronic pain without the use of opioids. The proposed VR-base therapy will provide participants with another option for managing their pain and will license existing pain management software. The requested funding will support the purchase of VR equipment and a one-year software license.