

County of Albany

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Legislation Text

File #: TMP-6728, Version: 1

REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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

Authorization to award an \$14,809 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: \$14,809

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: \$14,809

Appropriation Account and Line: See attached budget amendment

Appropriation Amount: \$14,809

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	

Yes □ No 🗵

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

Apprenticeship Program

DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST: (state briefly why legislative action is requested)

The Department of Mental Health respectfully requests permission to award \$14,809 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 research on the use of oral ketamine and buprenorphine for pain control in AMC's emergency department.

Based on published research, AMC has begun to use oral ketamine and buprenorphine for pain management in their emergency department. The goal is to reduce the use of opioids for acute pain in the ED (while buprenorphine is an opioid, it has lese adverse effects and doesn't lead to tolerance like other opioids). The proposed project will partially fund a research coordinator who will interview patients who were given ketamine and buprenorphine in the ED about how well their pain was managed. AMC hopes to leverage this project to receive a larger research grant and to add to the knowledge base for alternatives to traditional opioids

In addition to their Alternative to Opioids Pain Management program, which focuses on chronic pain, this project demonstrates AMC's commitment to reducing the number of patients provided with opioids in the hospital, ultimately reducing the number of individuals at risk of developing an opioid use disorder or experiencing an opioid overdose.