



# County of Albany

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## Legislation Text

File #: TMP-5373, Version: 1

### REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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

Authorize a grant award to Lincoln Pharmacy

The Department of Mental Health requests permission to award \$174,208 in Opioid Settlement Funding to Lincoln Pharmacy for the purpose of providing Medication Assistance Treatment (MAT) injections in the pharmacy.

Date:	April 5, 2024
Submitted By:	Adam Kirkman
Department:	Department of Mental Health
Title:	Special Project Coordinator (Opioids)
Phone:	518-447-2057
Department Rep.	
Attending Meeting:	Stephen Giordano, Ph.D. and Adam Kirkman

#### Purpose of Request:

- Adopting of Local Law
- Amendment of Prior Legislation
- Approval/Adoption of Plan/Procedure
- Bond Approval
- Budget Amendment
- Contract Authorization
- Countywide Services
- Environmental Impact/SEQR
- Home Rule Request
- Property Conveyance
- Other: (state if not listed) Click or tap here to enter text.

### CONCERNING BUDGET AMENDMENTS

#### Increase/decrease category (choose all that apply):

- Contractual
- Equipment

- Fringe
- Personnel
- Personnel Non-Individual
- Revenue

Increase Account/Line No.: A94320.44489.OSF06.Lincoln Pharmacy / \$174,208.00  
Source of Funds: Albany County Opioid Settlement Fund  
Title Change: Click or tap here to enter text.

**CONCERNING CONTRACT AUTHORIZATIONS**

**Type of Contract:**

- Change Order/Contract Amendment
- Purchase (Equipment/Supplies)
- Lease (Equipment/Supplies)
- Requirements
- Professional Services
- Education/Training
- Grant

New

Submission Date Deadline 3/8/2024

- Settlement of a Claim
- Release of Liability
- Other: (state if not listed) Click or tap here to enter text.

**Contract Terms/Conditions:**

**Party (Name/address):**

Zarina Jalal  
Gem Drug Corporation d/b/a Lincoln Pharmacy  
300 Morton Avenue  
Albany, NY 12209

**Additional Parties (Names/addresses):**

Click or tap here to enter text.

Amount/Raise Schedule/Fee: \$174,208

Scope of Services: Lincoln Pharmacy will use the approved funding to provide Medication Assistance Treatment (MAT) injections in the pharmacy. This service will be provided to individuals who are stable in their recovery and who would prefer to receive their injections in a pharmacy, rather than a clinic.

Bond Res. No.: Click or tap here to enter text.

Date of Adoption: Click or tap here to enter text.

**CONCERNING ALL REQUESTS**

Mandated Program/Service: Yes  No   
If Mandated Cite Authority: Click or tap here to enter text.

Is there a Fiscal Impact: Yes  No   
Anticipated in Current Budget: Yes  No

County Budget Accounts:

Revenue Account and Line: A34320.037350.OSF06  
Revenue Amount: \$174,208

Appropriation Account and Line: A94320.44489.OSF06  
Appropriation Amount: \$174,208

Source of Funding - (Percentages)

Federal: Click or tap here to enter text.  
State: Click or tap here to enter text.  
County: 100%  
Local: Click or tap here to enter text.

Original Awarding Agency / Funder:  
NYS Office of Addiction Services and Supports  
New York State Pass-Through Agency (if applicable):  
Albany County Department of Mental Health

Term

Term: (Start and end date) 6/1/2024-5/31/2027  
Length of Contract: 3 years

Impact on Pending Litigation Yes  No   
If yes, explain: Click or tap here to enter text.

Previous requests for Identical or Similar Action:

Resolution/Law Number: Click or tap here to enter text.  
Date of Adoption: Click or tap here to enter text.

**Justification:** (state briefly why legislative action is requested)

Albany County Mental Health made a portion of the County’s Opioid Settlement Funds available to community providers through an RFP process. Agencies and community organizations were permitted to propose initiatives focused on opioid use disorder prevention, treatment or recovery, as well as supportive services such as housing and transportation. Lincoln Pharmacy’s project was selected for funding through an informed review process and will be implemented over the next three years.

A recent change to state law allows pharmacies to provide MAT injections, but for now only medical offices are allowed to bill for this service. This funding will allow pharmacists to spend time with individuals receiving MAT injections and will reduce stigma, as the medications will be provided the same way that vaccines and other

injections are conducted.