



Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-2447, Agenda Item #: 41.

8/31/2023

Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) for medical oversight and credentialing of DPS's Joint Medical Operations and operational medical programs, including but not limited to its First Responder Organization.

Lead Department

Office of the Chief Medical Officer.

Fiscal Note

The update to the ILA is negotiating an increase in the reimbursement for services provided by the Office of the Chief Medical Officer. The proposed increase annual charge to DPS is \$204,647 for the first year, with a 3% annualized increase; total contract value with optional extensions is \$1,819,789.89. This increase is due to DPS requesting more physician time for training sessions, response, and support. This, in turn, causes a requisite increase in support staff time.

This item has no fiscal impact.

Prior Council Action:

December 13, 2018 - Council approved Consent Agenda item 102, which approved the current interlocal agreement with DPS for medical oversight on an 8-0 vote with Mayor Adler and Council Member Flannigan off the dais.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

At the request of the Texas Department of Public Safety, the Office of the Chief Medical Officer will provide medical direction services to the Texas Department of Public Safety within the City of Austin, Travis County and the Texas Department of Public Safety sites across the State of Texas.

Medical direction services shall include the following:

- Medical direction for First Responder Organizations within Texas DPS facilities.
- Medical oversight of Automatic External Defibrillator (AEDs) programs within Texas DPS facilities across the State of Texas.
- Provision of continuing medical education for Texas DPS First Responders, provide medical oversight and credentialing to all Texas DPS First Responder personnel that are certified by the Texas Department of State Health Services and will be providing EMS care under the Texas DPS First Responder Organization.
- Provide oversight of CPR/AED, Naloxone, Stop the Bleed, and Tactical Emergency Casualty Care DPS programs.
- Provide oversight and assistant in an agency-wide Continuous Quality Improvement program for clinical quality assurance.

- Provide consultation for medical-related DPS policies and physician services.