



MEMORANDUM

TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive
FROM: Erika Lautenbach, Director
RE: Compass Health – COVID-Related Support Services
DATE: November 5, 2020

Attached is a contract between Whatcom County and Compass Health for your review and signature.

▪ **Background and Purpose**

This contract is in response to a notification from Whatcom County Health Department to core not-for-profit behavioral health and social service providers of federal grant funding available to help mitigate the impacts of COVID-19 on their organizations. Each respondent to the notification has worked with Health to specify COVID-related expenditure reimbursement needs. Compass Health has been adapting to operational changes necessary to observe COVID-19 risk mitigation measures. The purpose of this contract is to provide reimbursement of operating expenses that have been incurred within Compass' Whatcom County locations to ensure COVID-19 risk mitigation measures are achievable. Reimbursable expenses include touchless faucets and drinking fountains, PPE and sanitation equipment and supplies, and updates to air systems (including HEPA filters) to address air flow.

▪ **Funding Amount and Source**

Funding for this contract may not exceed \$157,721. Funds under the contract are made available by a grant awarded by the US Department of Treasury and subject to Section 601(a) of the Social Security Act, as amended by section 5001 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), and Title V and VI of the CARES Act, passed through the Washington State Department of Health Emergency Preparedness & Response COVID-19 Local CARES Grant (CFDA 21.019). These funds are included in the 2020 budget. Council approval is required as funding exceeds \$40,000.

Please contact Kathleen Roy at extension #6007 if you have any questions regarding this agreement.

Encl.

