



Memorandum

TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

FROM: Erika Lautenbach, Director

RE: Washington State Health Care Authority – Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery Interlocal Agreement

DATE: JULY 12, 2023

Attached is an interlocal agreement between Whatcom County and Washington State Health Care Authority for your review and signature.

▪ **Background and Purpose**

This agreement outlines roles and responsibilities for coordinating and implementing prevention programs and strategies that are designed to delay the misuse of alcohol and drugs, increase mental health promotion and prevent suicide. These services support the Health Care Authority's Community Prevention and Wellness Initiative (CPWI) which focuses substance use prevention services in high-need communities in Washington State.

▪ **Funding Amount and Source**

This agreement provides \$260,000 annually with a not to exceed amount of \$1,320,000 for the period. Funding sources include the federal Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Services (SUPTRS) and Carryover (CFDA 93.959), and Dedicated Cannabis Account (DCA) funds through the Washington State Health Care Authority. Council authorization is required as grant funding exceeds \$40,000, per WCC 3.06.010.

▪ **Differences from Previous Contracts**

This is a new agreement, however funding for these services has been provided through previous agreements since 2012. Aside from funding source name revisions, this agreement includes no significant changes from the agreement that ended on 06/30/2023 (WC Contract #201909027).

Please contact Joe Fuller, Program Specialist at 360-778-6045 (JFuller@co.whatcom.wa.us) or Kathleen Roy, Financial & Administrative Manager at 360-778-6007 (KRoy@co.whatcom.wa.us), if you have any questions.