

MEMORANDUM

TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive

FROM: Vanessa Martin, Administrative Manager

RE: Sea Mar Community Health Centers – Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) Program Contract

DATE: February 25, 2020

Enclosed are two (2) originals of a contract between Whatcom County and Sea Mar for your review and signature.

- **Background and Purpose**

The Prosecuting Attorney's Office has been awarded a 3-year grant to fund the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) Program in Whatcom County. The LEAD Program is a community-based diversion program with the goal of improving public safety and public order, and reducing unnecessary justice system involvement of people who participate in the program. Sea Mar will provide oversight and administrative duties to support the care coordination and case management services to LEAD participants.

- **Funding Amount and Source**

Funding for this contract, in an amount not to exceed \$288,778, is provided by the United States Department of Justice, Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) Program Grant (CFDA #16.838). These funds are included in the 2020 budget. Council approval is required as funding exceeds \$40,000.

Please contact me at extension #5716 if you have any questions regarding this agreement.