

# AGENDA



## Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council - Commissioners Court Meeting	Item ID	36242	Agenda Number	31.
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Meeting Date:	9/25/2014	Department:	Health and Human Services
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### Subject

Authorize negotiation and execution of Amendment No. 1 to the agreement with Austin Travis County Mental Health & Mental Retardation Center dba Austin Travis County Integral Care, to increase funding in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 for the period September 30, 2013 through September 29, 2014 with two 12-month renewal options in the amount not to exceed \$600,000 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,750,000.

### Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$300,000 is included in the Fiscal Year 2013-14, 1115 Medicaid Waiver budget. Funding for the balance of the contract is contingent on successful contract performance and available funding in future 1115 Medicaid Waiver budgets.

### Fiscal Note

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	On August 29, 2013, Council approved a twelve-month agreement beginning September 30, 2013 with two (2) one-year extension options. On August 2, 2012, Council approved a Resolution (Resolution No. 20120802-029) supporting participation in the federal 1115 Medicaid Waiver Program.
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Boards and Commission Action:	
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Related Items:	

### Additional Backup Information

On March 25, 2010, Austin City Council passed resolution# 20100325-053 directing the City Manager to give priority to funding permanent supportive housing (PSH), and to develop a comprehensive strategy for the construction and operation of 350 permanent supportive housing units over the next four years. In October 2012, the Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) submitted an application to Central Health for a new PSH project to be included in the Region 7 Medicaid Waiver Application.

This Medicaid Waiver project will enhance the City of Austin's existing PSH strategy by providing expanded Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) services to homeless individuals who have tri-morbid conditions (co-occurring psychiatric, substance abuse, and a chronic medical condition) and are frequent users of local emergency departments and emergency medical transport services.

In October 2013, the Health and Human Services Department (HHSD) submitted a second application to Central Health, for a 3-year 1115 Medicaid Waiver project, with the intention of expansion of the ACT services to homeless individuals with comorbid conditions.

Austin Travis County Integral Care will provide ACT team services to recently housed individuals through leveraged housing funds provided by Neighborhood Housing and Community Development Department. Services include case management, mental health and substance abuse treatment, primary medical care, individual supportive therapy, and mobile crisis intervention. These services provide chronically homeless individuals that may require services twenty-four hours and seven days a week. The goal of this ACT program is for participants to achieve housing stability, connect to a medical home, and ultimately live healthy, happy lives. Other goals include avoiding public emergency system usage, hospital inpatient re-admissions, averting involvement in the criminal justice system, promoting wellness and medication adherence, and ultimately, substance abuse recovery.

Related Goal Social Services – Promote and foster increased self-sufficiency, healthy behaviors, and lifestyle among targeted populations.

Performance Measures:

Output Measure: Number of Unduplicated Clients Served

Outcome Measure: Percent of individuals that maintain housing due to essential services