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Oklahoma County Board of County Commissioners
320 Robert S. Kerr Avenue
Oklahoma City, OK 73102

RE: Oklahoma County – 2026 OAG Opioid Abatement Grant | Behavioral Care Center (BCC) Startup Staffing and Program Ramp-Up

To Whom It May Concern:

CREOKS Mental Health Services is pleased to support Oklahoma County's application for the 2026 Oklahoma Attorney General Opioid Abatement Grant to assist with startup staffing and program ramp-up for the Oklahoma County Behavioral Care Center (BCC).

If awarded, Oklahoma County intends to contract with CREOKS Mental Health Services through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to provide behavioral health and substance use disorder services supporting the operational launch of the BCC. This partnership will ensure that evidence-based opioid use disorder (OUD) treatment, overdose prevention services, and recovery supports are available as the BCC approaches opening, while maintaining service continuity in outpatient and jail-based settings during the pre-opening period.

The proposal requests **\$285,715 per year for three (3) years**, including **\$14,285 annually in county indirect costs**, to support startup staffing, training, and program implementation. The proposed staffing model includes:

- Program Director (0.25 FTE)
- Therapists (2) – 0.50 FTE each
- Registered Nurses (2) – 0.50 FTE each
- Case Managers (2) – 0.50 FTE each

These staff will support the implementation and expansion of Medications for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD), contingency management programming, overdose prevention initiatives, and coordinated care transitions for justice-involved individuals served through the BCC.

Activities and Deliverables

CREOKS will implement the following activities in partnership with Oklahoma County to support the successful startup and operation of BCC services:

Activity: Recruit, hire, and train clinical and nursing staff to support BCC program launch.

Deliverable: Fully staffed and trained startup team including a Program Director, two Therapists, two Registered Nurses, and two Case Managers prepared to deliver BCC services.

Activity: Develop operational workflows, policies, and clinical protocols to prepare for BCC service delivery.

Deliverable: Establish BCC service protocols, referral pathways, and care coordination workflows prior to facility opening.

Activity: Provide screening, assessment, therapy, nursing services, and case management for individuals with opioid use disorder.

Deliverable: Provide OUD screening, assessment, and treatment services to **at least 200 individuals annually**.

Activity: Establish and implement protocols for Medications for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD), including screening, induction, and continuity of care.

Deliverable: Initiate or maintain **MOUD treatment for at least 120 individuals annually**.

Activity: Provide coordinated case management and reentry planning for justice-involved individuals.

Deliverable: Provide **case management and care coordination services for at least 150 justice-involved individuals annually**.

Activity: Implement contingency management programming to improve treatment engagement and retention.

Deliverable: Serve **at least 100 participants annually** through contingency management programming.

Activity: Provide naloxone education and overdose prevention training for program participants and community partners.

Deliverable: Distribute **at least 200 naloxone kits annually** and provide overdose prevention education.

Activity: Coordinate warm handoffs and care transitions between the jail, BCC, outpatient providers, and community recovery supports.

Deliverable: Facilitate **at least 150 warm handoffs annually** to community-based treatment or recovery services.

Activity: Track opioid abatement activities and maintain compliance with reporting requirements.

Deliverable: Submit all required Oklahoma Attorney General opioid abatement reports and documentation in accordance with grant requirements.

This initiative aligns directly with **Healthy Minds priority strategies**, including MOUD expansion, naloxone distribution, contingency management, and integrated care coordination. The proposed services also support **Exhibit E Core Strategies**, including Schedule A Core Strategy B (MOUD treatment expansion), Core Strategy E (warm handoffs and recovery services), Core Strategy F (treatment for justice-involved populations), and Schedule B approved uses supporting evidence-based treatment and workforce development.

CREOKS Mental Health Services appreciates the opportunity to partner with Oklahoma County in expanding access to evidence-based opioid use disorder treatment and recovery supports for individuals impacted by the opioid crisis.

Sincerely,

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