

**ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
(ADAMHS) BOARD OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY**

RESOLUTION NO. 18-03-03

**AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY DIVISION OF CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES
FOR A TREATMENT FOSTER CARE/KINSHIP PILOT**

WHEREAS, the Cuyahoga County Division of Children and Family Services (CCDCFS) staff has requested the ADAMHS Board's assistance in developing a clinical model to support children and their families in foster care and relative/kinship placements; and,

WHEREAS, the CCDCFS has identified a critical need within their system to expand its current foster care programming to include treatment foster homes, as well as the provision of timely individualized behavioral health interventions with children/youth stepping down from a residential placement or placed with a relative/kinship caregiver; and,

WHEREAS, as the number of relative/kinship placements have increased, families are in need of a multitude of services and supports to maintain these youth in their homes; and,

WHEREAS, CCDCFS has identified the *Trust Based Relational Intervention® (TBRI®)*, an evidenced based intervention, to be utilized concurrently with behavioral health services and support for children who have experienced relationship-based traumas; and,

WHEREAS, the Board is interested in helping to assist in developing a model to "pilot" the intensive level of support in tandem with a dedicated behavioral health agency to be identified through a vetting process; and,

WHEREAS, the clinical services to be included are the following: Assessment & Screening, Therapeutic Interventions, Psychiatric Assessments and Pharmacological Services, Case Management and Care Coordination for behavioral health support and Crisis Intervention; and,

WHEREAS, the following timeline is recommended for the issuance of the RFP for this program:

1. March 14th, 2018: request permission from the ADAMHS Board of Directors Planning & Operations Committee; and,
2. March 28th, 2018: seek final approval from the ADAMHS Board of Directors; and,
3. First week of April 2018: release the Treatment Foster Care/Kinship Pilot RFP; and,
4. May 4th, 2018: proposal submission deadline; and,
5. May 18th, 2018: upon approval of membership from the ADAMHS Board Chief Executive Officer, the Review Committee will render a recommendation for approval to process through the June 2018 ADAMHS Board of Directors meeting cycle, with a goal to initiate a contract in July 2018; and,

WHEREAS, the ADAMHS Board's Planning & Oversight Committee reviewed Board staff's recommendation and recommends authorizing the issuance of a Request for Proposal for the Cuyahoga County Treatment Foster Care Initiative/Kinship Pilot.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The ADAMHS Board of Directors approves the issuance of a Request for Proposal to partner with CCDCFS to develop and release a RFP for the provision of clinical and supportive services for treatment foster care and relative/kinship homes as a pilot.
2. The ADAMHS Board CEO is hereby authorized to appoint a RFP Committee to review and evaluate the RFP proposals received, and to submit its recommendation to the Board of Directors.

On the motion of Rev. Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr., seconded by Mary M. Step, Ph.D., the foregoing resolution was adopted.

AYES: R. Blue, E. Caraballo, R. Fowler, B. Gohlstin, Cassi Handler, P. Jones, K. Kern-Pilch, E. Kirkland, H. Snider, M. Step

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

DATE ADOPTED: None