

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

RESOLUTION NO. 21-09-01

**APPROVAL OF CONSULTING CONTRACT FOR DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND
INCLUSION (DEI) ASSESSMENT AND PLANNING**

WHEREAS, the Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board of Cuyahoga County (ADAMHS Board) passed Resolution 20-06-01 declaring Racism as a Public Health Crisis and committed to work with its partners to plan goals for eliminating structural racism in the behavioral health community; and,

WHEREAS, the ADAMHS Board convened the Eliminating Structural Racism in Behavioral Health Care Work Group in October 2020; and,

WHEREAS, the 2021-2025 ADAMHS Board Strategic Plan includes diversity, equity and inclusion as goal one of the plan; and,

WHEREAS, the ADAMHS Board issued an RFP and the responses were reviewed and rated by an appointed review committee. The review committee selected Rice Education Consulting, LLC; and,

WHEREAS, the ADAMHS Board Joint Planning & Oversight and Finance & Operations Committee reviewed the ADAMHS Board staff's recommendation and recommends entering into a contractual agreement with Rice Education Consulting, LLC for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Assessment and Planning.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The ADAMHS Board of Directors approves the contractual agreement with Rice Education Consulting, LLC for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Assessment and Planning.
2. The ADAMHS Board Chief Executive Officer is hereby authorized to execute any necessary contractual agreements.

On the motion of Reginald C. Blue, Ph.D., seconded by Patricia James-Stewart, M.Ed., LSW, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

AYES: B. Addison, A. Bhardwaj, R. Blue, E. Cade, R. Fowler, G. Howard, P. James-Stewart, K. Kern-Pilch, S. Killpack, M. Rodas, S. Rosenbaum, H. Snider

NAYS: None

DATE ADOPTED: September 29, 2021