

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 11-07-07**

**AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION FOR  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH JUVENILE JUSTICE PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board of Cuyahoga County (ADAMHS Board) Board of Directors Policy entitled "Awarding Contracts for Services," effective March 24, 2010, the ADAMHS Board is to issue Requests for Proposals (RFP) or Requests for Information (RFI) upon the request of ADAMHS Board staff regarding mental health, AoD and other service needs; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Behavioral Health Juvenile Justice (BHJJ) Program is to identify youth with escalating juvenile justice involvement and behavioral health issues and to provide treatment and support in effort to prevent deeper involvement in the juvenile justice system; and,

**WHEREAS**, the primary goal from the State departments, Ohio Department of Youth Services (ODYS) and The Ohio Department of Mental Health (ODMH) is to reduce the recidivism rate of commitments in State facilities; and, in fiscal year 2010, eighty (80) youth were successfully diverted from ODYS; and,

**WHEREAS**, the success of the program is attributed to the model of the program and the concept of utilizing a team approach, which would decrease the likeliness of commitment and deeper involvement with the court system; and,

**WHEREAS**, the care coordination role within the BHJJ team has been identified as germane to the success of the program; and, more importantly, it ensures adherence to the structure of the model which sets the foundation to meet programmatic outcomes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. The ADAMHS Board of Directors approves the issuance of an RFI to solicit applications from ADAMHS Board contracted behavioral health care providers to provide care coordination services within the Behavioral Health Juvenile Justice program from October 1, 2011, through June 30, 2012.
2. The ADAMHS Board CEO is hereby authorized to appoint the RFI Committee to review and issue the RFI and evaluate the proposals that are submitted for recommendation to the Board of Directors.

On the motion of Ericka Thoms, seconded by Reginald C. Blue, Ph.D., the foregoing resolution was adopted.

**AYES:** I. Bailey, R. Blue, C. Brown, E. Cash, M. Crosby, T. Falcone,  
B. Gohlstin, P. Jones, R. Kemm, R. Romaniuk, H. Snider, E. Thoms,  
M. Warr, A. Williams

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**DATE ADOPTED:** July 27, 2011