BOH CONTRACT SUMMARY

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NAME OF ORGANIZATION	Willow Creek Church – Community Resource Days					
EFFECTIVE DATES OF CONTRACT	12/1/24					
BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF CONTRACT PURPOSE	To provide communicable disease testing to Community Resource Day clients					
CONTRACT TERMS	MOU will continue from date signed unless terminated in writing by either party with 30-day prior notice					
MCDH DEPT/STAFF INVOLVED	MCDH Public Health Nurse, Administrative Specialist as needed					
FINANCIAL TERMS	If client has public aid, this will be billed, otherwise no charge to the client or church. Fees will be waived.					
	Federal \$	State	Local	Federal \$	State	Local
INDEMNIFICATION CLAUSE?	☐ Yes ☑ No					
SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS, REQUIREMENTS, CONDITIONS	None					

Memorandum of Understanding

Between

McHenry County Department of Health (MCDH)
2200 N. Seminary Ave., Building A
Woodstock, IL 60098

And

Willow Creek Community Church Community Resource Days (CRD) 100 South Main Street Crystal Lake, IL 60014

The MCDH and Willow Creek Church desire to work collaboratively to meet the Tuberculosis (TB) and sexually transmitted infections (STI) testing and treatment needs of the clients of CRD. This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sets forth the terms and understanding between the MCDH and Willow Creek Church to provide TB and STI testing and treatment to CRD clients utilizing CRD services. On occasion, seasonal immunizations may also be offered when available.

Background

In the United States, 1% of the population experiences homelessness in a given year, but approximately 4% of people with TB disease reported experiencing homelessness within the year prior to diagnosis.

People experiencing homelessness are at an increased risk of becoming infected with TB compared to the general population. The increased risk of infection with TB in the homeless population is due to shelter environments such as crowding and the state of the ventilation systems. This combination of factors is favorable for spreading TB. In addition, people experiencing homelessness often lack ready access to the medical care required to make an early diagnosis of TB disease.

Collaboration between public health and community partners is essential to provide TB screenings and any identified needed treatment to reduce the risk of TB infection and transmission in the McHenry County homeless population.

Homeless adults are a vulnerable population. Factors found to be associated with sexual risk were concurrently associated with housing instability and homelessness severity. Addressing STI prevention needs of homeless adults can be enhanced by integrating sexual health, and other health services where homeless adults seek or receive housing and other support services.

Williams SP, Bryant KL. Sexually Transmitted Infection Prevalence among Homeless Adults in the United States: A Systematic Literature Review. Sex Transm Dis. 2018 Jul;45(7):494-504. doi: 10.1097/OLQ.0000000000000780. PMID: 29465661; PMCID: PMC6367672.

Goal

To provide access to care and reduce the risk of TB transmission as well as STIs in the McHenry County unhoused population. On occasion to also provide disease prevention through vaccination.

Objectives

- Provide TB testing and diagnostic work-up if needed
- Provide treatment to latent or active cases identified
- Provide STI testing, and treatment if indicated to client and partner(s)
- Provide STI education and prevention method (condoms) as needed

• Provide disease prevention through immunizations upon request

Participants

Community Resource Days clients

Cost

There will no cost to Willow Creek Church, CRD, or its clients, however, if client or partner(s) has Medicaid or other insurance benefit accepted by MCDH, it will be billed accordingly based on current fees. Fees are subject to change.

Staff Required

Up to 2 MCDH Registered Nurses (RN) and/or 1 Administrative Specialist

Partnership Deliverables

Willow Creek Church will provide:

• At the 100 S. Main St. location, a table and two chairs will be provided for one-step TB testing and STI testing. This will be available once a month. For TB testing, client will need to coordinate transportation for read 48-72 hours later at MCDH Woodstock location.

MCDH will provide:

- Monthly testing for STIs and TB using a Mantoux tuberculin skin test (TST) and/or assessment
- Education will be provided by an RN regarding the transmission, risk behaviors, symptoms, and prevention of TB, STIs and vaccine preventable diseases.
- RN to read TB test within 48-72 hours following the testing as scheduled
- RN to deliver test results, clearance letter, diagnostics, treatment, and/or counseling to individuals as necessary per TB Medical Director and/or Medical Advisor's orders.
- STI testing result will be shared with client when available, and if indicated, treatment will be provided.
- A Release of Information (ROI) will be filled out by client if any results are to be shared

Term and Termination

This MOU is at-will and may be modified by mutual consent of authorized officials from Willow Creek Church and MCDH in writing. The term of this Agreement shall commence upon execution hereof by both parties and shall perpetuate until either party chooses to terminate. Either party may terminate this agreement with or without cause upon thirty (30) days prior written notice.

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