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May 17, 2011

MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable School Board Members

FROM: Kendra Goodman, CPPO, CPPB, Purchasing Agent 

RE: Partnership Agreement
Caring Pediatrics

Attached is a partnership agreement between Caring Pediatrics and the District School Board of Pasco County Early Head Start, to provide Well Child Checkups and pre-approved medical services on an "as needed" basis.

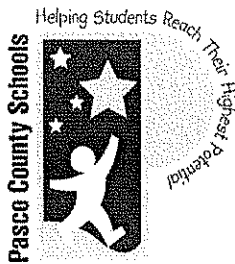
Caring Pediatrics has agreed to work with Prekindergarten Services to provide these services at Medicaid rates. The services covered under this contract are considered professional services; and are, therefore, exempt from the competitive pricing requirements as outlined in DOE's Section 6A-1.012.

The specific services are outlined in the agreement and are attached for your perusal. Services will be from August 1, 2011 through July 31, 2012. The anticipated expenditure will be approximately \$25,000 utilizing Special Revenue Funds #422.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, or if I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.

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Attachments



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Memo # PRK-039-10/11

Contact: Beth E. Rawls *BER*

Ext.# 42732

DATE: May 17, 2011

TO: HONORABLE SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

FROM: Heather Fiorentino, Superintendent
Ruth B. Reilly, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instructional Services

SUBJECT: **Prekindergarten Services Head Start/ Early Head Start and Voluntary Pre-K (VPK) Partnership Agreement with Caring Pediatrics for the 2011-12 School Year**

History

Head Start and Early Head Start must enter into agreements with community providers to ensure Well Child Checkups (EPSDT) and pre-approved medical services as needed for its enrollees. Caring Pediatrics has agreed to continue to work with Prekindergarten Services to provide these services for non-insured Head Start/Early Head Start and VPK children at Medicaid rates.

Description

Prekindergarten Services partnership agreement with Caring Pediatrics has been updated and approved by the Policy Council.

Action Requested

Approval of the 2011-12 Pasco County Prekindergarten Services Head Start/ Early Head Start and VPK Partnership Agreement with Caring Pediatrics in order to comply with health services requirements.

Conclusion

The staff respectfully requests the approval of the 2011-12 Pasco County Prekindergarten Services Head Start/ Early Head Start and VPK Partnership Agreement with Caring Pediatrics.



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District School Board of Pasco County
Head Start/Early Head Start and Voluntary Pre-K
Partnership Agreement With Caring Pediatrics
2011-2012 Fiscal School Year

The District School Board of Pasco County Prekindergarten Services and Caring Pediatrics agree to work together to provide Well Child Checkups (EPSDT), and pre-approved medical services for children enrolled in Head Start/Early Head Start and Voluntary Pre-K (VPK) during the 2011-2012 fiscal school year, August 1 - July 31. **NO APPOINTMENTS CAN BE SCHEDULED AND NO TREATMENTS CAN BE PERFORMED PRIOR TO AUGUST 1.**

Funds to reimburse services are provided by the Federal Head Start /Early Head Start grants and the Florida VPK Program for those children who do not have current Medicaid eligibility or other health insurance. Head Start/Early Head Start funds **may** be used for professional medical services when **no other source of funding is available**. Caring Pediatrics will verify Medicaid or other insurance availability when services are provided to ensure that Head Start/Early Head Start is the payor of last resort. Caring Pediatrics will verify that children requesting treatment are currently enrolled in the Head Start/Early Head Start /VPK program before services are provided. Parent/Guardian will provide a copy of their program acceptance letter as verification.

The physician/agency agrees to provide services as outlined below:

- Services for non-Medicaid, uninsured children will be reimbursed at Medicaid rates.
- Medicaid rate payment will be accepted as payment in full for covered services.
- Prior approval will be obtained for treatment other than Well Child Checkups (EPSDT).
- Prekindergarten Services will be provided with a signed summary of services at the end of each appointment listing the cost of such services.
- A purchase order will be issued in favor of Caring Pediatrics, and payments will be made monthly.
- All purchase orders will be closed and no longer usable for appointment dates/charges after July 31 of the program year. Outstanding bills cannot be accepted for payment after August 31 of the program year.

I have read the above, and agree to provide medical services to children enrolled in Pasco County Head Start/Early Head Start and VPK as outlined therein.

Audrey Jara 3/15/11

Dr. Audrey Jara Date
Caring Pediatrics
4439 Rowan Road
New Port Ricney, FL 34653

Beth E. Rawls 3/11/11

Beth E. Rawls, Director Date
Pasco County Prekindergarten Services

Kendra Goodman 5/2/11

Kendra Goodman, CPPB Date
Purchasing Agent
District School Board of Pasco County

Daniel DeJesus 14 April 2011

Daniel DeJesus, Chairman Date
Head Start/Early Head Start Policy Council

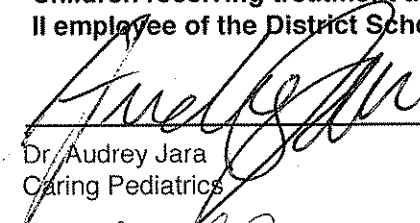
Joanne Hurley, Chairman Date
District School Board of Pasco County

Attachment A – Caring Pediatrics


A) This contract is subject to Act of God or government regulation, disaster, strikes, civil disorder, or other emergency making it illegal or impossible to provide facilities or hold the events. Should Caring Pediatrics cancel this contract for reasons other than Act of God, etc., and another date time cannot be mutually agreed upon, Caring Pediatrics shall refund all monies (including deposits) to the School Board.

In addition, when the Department of Homeland Security issues a "Red Alert Status," the District School Board of Pasco County has the right to cancel this agreement without penalty and Caring Pediatrics shall refund all monies (including deposits) to the School Board within thirty (30) calendar days.

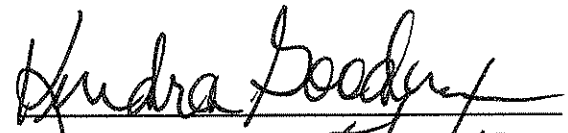
- B) As provided for under common law, and to the extent specifically authorized by Section 768.28, Florida Statutes, Caring Pediatrics hereby agrees to indemnify and hold the District harmless from and against all damages of any nature whatsoever which are caused or materially contributed to by the negligent acts of any officer, employee, and agent or other representative of (vendor name) and which are not caused or materially contributed to by any officer, employee, agent or other representative of the District.
- C) Termination of Contract: This contract may be terminated when it is in the best interest of the District within 30 days notice. Contracts cancelled by the vendor because of non-performance may result in exclusion from participating on any other similar contracts offered by any public school in Pasco County, FL. Contracts cancelled because of non-performance will be excluded from future business with the District for the full term of the contract plus one year.
- D) Venue for any and all legal action regarding or arising out of the transaction covered herein shall be solely in the appropriate Court in and for Pasco County, State of Florida.
- E) This contract is governed by the laws put forth by the State of Florida.
- F) The School Board normally issues payment for services within 30 days from receipt of invoices, provided the services have been received in a satisfactory and proper manner. No advance payments will be made.
- G) The company and/or individual shall remain independent and not an employee or agent of the Board for the purpose of providing services not otherwise available to the Board.
- H) Caring Pediatrics shall not assign, sublet, or otherwise dispose of, without first obtaining the written consent of the Board, any portion of services to be performed under this Contract.
- I) Caring Pediatrics shall comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, codes, and statutes of any and all local, state, or national governing bodies included within this section Caring Pediatrics shall comply with the regulations of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, in which no person in the United States shall on the grounds of race, creed, color, or national origin be excluded from participation in or be denied the proceeds of, or be subject to discrimination in the performance of this Contract.
- J) **Children receiving treatment at Caring Pediatrics will be accompanied at all times by a Parent or by a level II employee of the District School Board of Pasco County.**

 3/5/11

Dr. Audrey Jara Date
Caring Pediatrics

 3/9/11

Beth E. Rawls, Director Date
Pasco County Director of Prekindergarten Services



Kendra Goodman, CPPB Date
Purchasing Agent 5/2/11
District School Board of Pasco County

Up-dated 10/13/09