


TO: Mayor Jim Gray
Honorable Members, Urban County Council

FROM: 
Chris Ford, Commissioner of Social Services

DATE: January 24, 2018

SUBJECT: Agreement with University of Kentucky Research Foundation
Comprehensive Opioid Needs & Resource Assessment

Request:

Request Council Authorization for the Mayor to execute an agreement between the Department of Social Services and the University of Kentucky Research Foundation (UKRF).

Purpose:

This agreement will provide a local comprehensive opioids needs and resource assessment. The assessment will address 2 primary goals: to assess the current capacity for existing services in response to the opioid epidemic; and to identify gaps or unmet needs of local substance use disorder service delivery systems. The findings will support the department's efforts in the area of Substance Use Disorder, and guide the design and execution of community – based intervention strategies.

The UK College of Medicine, Dept. of Behavioral Science Center on Drug and Alcohol Research has staffing expertise and specialized knowledge base needed to provide this localized study and assessment.

Budgetary Implication:

The cost for Fiscal Year 2018 is \$29,946.00

Are the funds budgeted?

BA #8989 in progress. This will be paid from 1101-606105-0001-71299.

File Number: 0004-18

Director/Commissioner: Chris Ford

