



# The Florida Senate

## Local Funding Initiative Request

### Fiscal Year 2022-2023

LFIR # 1347

1. **Project Title**

2. **Senate Sponsor**

3. **Date of Request**

4. **Project/Program Description**

Memorial respectfully requests \$1 million to expand our capacity to respond to the opioid crisis and address the behavioral health issues fueled by the COVID-19 pandemic which include anxiety, depression and increased substance use. Through Integrated Medication Assisted Treatment & Telehealth Enhanced Recovery (I MATTER), Memorial's multidisciplinary care team will offer immediate access to comprehensive substance abuse treatment for 200 persons using remote patient monitoring and an interactive technology platform. This program will also ensure ongoing recovery support through an integrated primary and behavioral health home for 200 clients. Overall, I MATTER will increase treatment retention, track real-time data on client outcomes and optimize clients' access to the life skills needed for sustained recovery. I MATTER will feature extensive community outreach and education to 1,500 at-risk persons and staff from community agencies.

5. **State Agency to receive requested funds**

**State Agency contacted?**

6. **Amount of the Nonrecurring Request for Fiscal Year 2022-2023**

Type of Funding	Amount
Operations	1,000,000
Fixed Capital Outlay	0
<b>Total State Funds Requested</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>

7. **Total Project Cost for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (including matching funds available for this project)**

Type of Funding	Amount	Percentage
Total State Funds Requested (from question #6)	1,000,000	94%
<b>Matching Funds</b>		
Federal	0	0%
State (excluding the amount of this request)	0	0%
Local	60,000	6%
Other	0	0%
<b>Total Project Costs for Fiscal Year 2022-2023</b>	<b>1,060,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

8. **Has this project previously received state funding?**

Fiscal Year (yyyy-yy)	Amount		Specific Appropriation #	Vetoed
	Recurring	Nonrecurring		
2021-22	0	426,604	367	No

9. **Is future funding likely to be requested?**

a. **If yes, indicate nonrecurring amount per year.**

b. **Describe the source of funding that can be used in lieu of state funding.**



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**10. Has the entity requesting this project received any federal assistance related to the COVID-19 pandemic?**

Yes

**If yes, indicate the amount of funds received and what the funds were used for.**

Memorial has received \$184,232,763 in federal CARES Act funding to prevent, prepare for and respond to the pandemic; to maintain service capacity; to convert and upgrade space for surge capacity; to provide skilled nursing facility infection control; for PPE/testing/telehealth support for patients with HIV; and for assistance in serving uninsured patients. This includes \$183,220,609 in HHS CARES Relief; \$128,281 in HHS/HRSA/Ryan White; \$236,873 in HHS/ASPR; and \$647,000 in HHS/HRSA/Uninsured.

**11. Details on how the requested state funds will be expended**

Spending Category	Description	Amount
<b>Administrative Costs:</b>		
Executive Director/Project Head Salary and Benefits		0
Other Salary and Benefits		0
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other		0
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Operational Costs: Other</b>		
Salary and Benefits	Project Manager - Outreach/Education @ 1FTE = \$89,856 Medical Assistant @ 1.0 FTE = \$54,912 Licensed Clinical Therapist @ .80 FTE = \$69,888 Counselor @ 1FTE = \$74,880 Social Worker @ 1FTE = \$79,872 Peer Specialist @ 1 FTE = \$44,928 Patient Registration @ 1 FTE \$49,920 Clinical Pharmacist @1 FTE = \$149,760 Research Scholar @ 1 FTE = \$112,320 Senior Data Analyst @ 1.FTE = \$129,792	856,128
Expense/Equipment/Travel/Supplies/Other	Interactive Telehealth Platform with audiovisual equipment , professional integration services, installation, licensing and maintenance - \$93,000 Telehealth Devices for Patient Onboarding- Ipad (5th generation) with 2-Year Apple Protection and Otterbox Cases 5 @ \$400 = \$2,000 Electronic Health Record (EHR) Patient Portal Technology and Educational Content - \$48,872	143,872
Consultants/Contracted Services/Study		0
<b>Fixed Capital Construction/Major Renovation:</b>		
Construction/Renovation/Land/Planning Engineering		0
<b>Total State Funds Requested (must equal total from question #6)</b>		<b>1,000,000</b>

**12. Program Performance**

**a. What specific purpose or goal will be achieved by the funds requested?**

I MATTER will reduce substance abuse and improve the physical and mental health of adults, including pregnant women, with opioid use disorders in Broward County. Memorial's multidisciplinary team will decrease opioid-related overdoses, fatalities and increase the number of neonates born free of illicit substances through same-day access to medication-assisted treatment and ongoing recovery support. I MATTER will improve participant's physical health by providing an integrated model of care which includes services by a multidisciplinary team provided in coordination with remote client monitoring and education through a digital platform.



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**b. What activities and services will be provided to meet the intended purpose of these funds?**

Memorial’s activities and services include a comprehensive addiction treatment program staffed by a multidisciplinary team with integrated primary and behavioral health clinic and ongoing recovery support services that include in-person and telehealth access. Services will also include population health screening for substance abuse in medical settings such as emergency departments, primary care settings and OB/GYN offices. Memorial’s staff will conduct community-based education and outreach on the physical and mental health toll caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, including integrated approaches to treat anxiety, depression and opioid use disorders.

**c. What direct services will be provided to citizens by the appropriation project?**

Memorial will provide the following direct services both in person and through telehealth: outreach; education; emergency department addiction treatment induction; overdose prevention; medication-assisted treatment; psychiatric treatment; behavioral health counseling; integrated primary and behavioral health care; prenatal care; infectious disease treatment and prevention; and recovery support.

**d. Who is the target population served by this project? How many individuals are expected to be served?**

Memorial will benefit the state by targeting the following: 1) adults in Broward County with substance use disorders and/or poor physical health, including pregnant women, who access services at Memorial’s emergency departments, hospitals or outpatient facilities; 2) adults who are referred by community providers and courts; or 3) adults who self-refer for program services. Memorial will also provide substance abuse outreach and education for a minimum of 1,500 at-risk adults and staff from community agencies; provide immediate access to comprehensive substance abuse treatment, including MAT, for a minimum of 200 persons; and provide an integrated health home for 200 adults with opioid use disorders.

**e. What is the expected benefit or outcome of this project? What is the methodology by which this outcome will be measured?**

Return on Investment  
 - The average Medicaid reimbursement for an infant requiring a NICU stay (APR-DRG 6251) due to Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome is \$6,357 versus \$905 for a normal newborn (APR-DRG 6261). For 20 babies born drug-free each year, Memorial could save the state \$109,000.  
 - The average Medicaid reimbursement for an inpatient hospitalization due to opioid complications is \$14,271 versus \$168 for a non-fatal opioid overdose treated in the ED. For 200 persons engaged in this program through the ED and linked to medication assisted treatment, Memorial could save the state more than \$2.8 million.  
 I MATTER will result in an annual cost savings of more than \$2.9 million in reduced NICU stays, inpatient hospitalizations and emergency department visits.

**f. What are the suggested penalties that the contracting agency may consider in addition to its standard penalties for failing to meet deliverables or performance measures provided for the contract?**

Memorial Healthcare System is willing to discuss additional penalties with the contracting agency as part of the contract negotiation process.

**13. The owners of the facility to receive, directly or indirectly, any fixed capital outlay funding. Include the relationship between the owners of the facility and the entity.**

N/A



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#### 14. Requestor Contact Information

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#### 15. Recipient Contact Information

a. **Organization** South Broward Hospital District, d/b/a Memorial Healthcare System

b. **Municipality and County** Broward

c. **Organization Type**

For Profit Entity

Non Profit 501(c)(3)

Non Profit 501(c)(4)

Local Entity

University or College

Other (please specify) Special Taxing District

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