

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE HEALTH COMMISSIONER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE FRANKLIN COUNTY CORONERS' OFFICE IN SUPPORT OF THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION (CDC) OVERDOSE DATA TO ACTION (OD2A) GRANT. (EXPENSE NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000.00 CDC OD2A GRANT)

WHEREAS, Franklin County Public Health (FCPH) has been awarded a grant from the CDC OD2A Grant and seeks to contract with the Franklin County Coroner's Office to expand its efforts to address the Opioid Crisis by providing support for the hiring of an Overdose Investigation and Intervention Specialist as part of the Overdose Fatality Review (OFR) process. An OFR can secure additional information to create a psychosocial history of the decedent, which could give a better idea of drug use behaviors and intent.

WHEREAS, the OFR process is key in addressing several specific challenges related to fatal overdoses in Franklin County, the Overdose Investigation and Intervention Specialist will assist the Coroner's Office Forensic Investigators who respond to death scenes involving overdose or suspected overdose in FC. The Specialist will interview families, conduct follow-up activities as needed, the Specialist will balance the family's ability to provide information while dealing with the trauma of losing a loved one to an overdose.

WHEREAS, OFRs provide the necessary legal structure and leverage to obtain records and information, providing the opportunity to understand how individuals move between and across multiple systems and touchpoints where prevention and intervention could have made an impact.

WHEREAS, the OFR process aligns with the Franklin County HealthMap 2022, Community Health Assessment priorities of Basic Needs, Racial Equity, and Mental Health and Addiction Services and FCPH plans to include the OFR as a strategy in reducing overdose deaths in the new Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP).

Now, therefore, upon motion of Board Member _____, second by Board Member _____;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH, BOARD MEMBERS:

1. That the Health Commissioner is authorized to enter into contract with the Franklin County Coroners' Office to support the hiring of an Overdose Investigation and Intervention Specialist as part of the Overdose Fatality Review (OFR) process.
2. This resolution shall be effective from and immediately upon its adoption.

Voting Aye Thereon:

Board Members
Franklin County Board of Health

Voting Nay Thereon:

Board Members
Franklin County Board of Health