

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE HEALTH COMMISSIONER TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN FRANKLIN COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH'S HARM REDUCTION PROGRAM AND THE CENTRAL OHIO TRANSIT AUTHORITY (COTA) (NO REVENUE WILL BE EXCHANGED)

WHEREAS, Franklin County Public Health has established a non-funded partnership with the Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA) to provide standing harm reduction outreach at COTA bus shelters and stops each month; and

WHEREAS, Franklin County Public Health has the ability to provide harm reduction supplies and education, linkages/referrals to care and social service supports; increase access to naloxone and fentanyl test strips for Franklin County residents; meet community members in non-traditional place to increase awareness of and engagement with harm reduction services; and

WHEREAS, Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA) and Franklin County Public Health have the ability to inform one another of any hotspot or overdose surges occurring at specific locations; and

WHEREAS, in alignment with FCPH's 2023-2026 Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) strategy to decrease unintentional drug and alcohol deaths, collaborative harm reduction outreach efforts expand naloxone distribution in communities with high overdose rates and increase access to life-saving harm reduction supplies.

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 a memorandum of understanding between Franklin County Public Health's Harm Reduction Program and the Central Ohio Transit Authority. No revenue will be exchanged.
2. That this resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

Voting Aye Thereon:

Board Members
Franklin County Board of Health

Voting Nay Thereon:

Board Members
Franklin County Board of Health