

**Response to Hernando County  
Opioid Prevention Grant Program  
Category 1: Abatement Strategies  
(medication-assisted treatment, reverse drugs, NAS treatment,  
recovery services)**

**ATTENTION**

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**PROGRAM**

Category 1: Abatement Strategies (medication-assisted treatment, reverse drugs, NAS treatment, recovery services)

**START DATE AND COMPLETION DATE**

October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024

**POPULATION(S) SERVED**

Adult Substance Use and/or Substance Use and Co-Occurring Disorder. Pregnant and post-partum women, parents involved in the child welfare system, individuals who inject drugs, and people reentering communities from criminal justice settings. These funds will also be used to serve eligible individuals with opioid use disorders who do not fall into one of the above populations.

## **NARRATIVE**

BayCare Behavioral Health (BCBH) offers a robust service line menu in Hernando County for the treatment of substance use disorders. The current continuum of services includes Individual and Group Outpatient Counseling, Medication-Assisted Treatment, In-Patient Detoxification and Adult Residential Treatment.

In 2021, BCBH expanded the substance use service array in Hernando County to include Medication-Assisted Treatment services to address the opioid crisis. The program has added two (2) medical providers that specialize in treating individuals with substance use disorders.

In 2022, BCBH has assessed over 200 individuals with a substance use disorder and treated 120 individuals in the Hernando County Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) program. The MAT program treats individuals who are insured, indigent, uninsured or underinsured with an opioid use disorder ( or are misusing opioids) who are receiving buprenorphine or naltrexone maintenance treatment. Case Management and Recovery Support wrap around services, such as Peer Supports, are made available to individuals in the MAT program to build an individual's recovery capital and secure long term maintenance.

This funding request will enhance and expand the current MAT program by offering services to an additional fifty participants and improve individuals staying engaged in treatment, thus maintaining their recovery from opioid use.

- Transportation barriers to treatment will be mitigated with the use of Uber Health to assist with transportation to individual and group counseling sessions.
- A vehicle will provide the Peer and Case Manager access to assist patients in getting them to community meetings, i.e. NA, Celebrate Recovery and AA, in turn, improving their ability to create a community support network.
- Urine drug screens are necessary for randomized drug testing in the treatment of opioid use disorder.
- Detera disposal bags are useful in eliminating unused or unwanted prescribed opioid medications in a safe manner.
- Recovery Oriented System of Care training for the BCBH MAT team members will provide the tools necessary to support a comprehensive, holistic approach to servicing individuals seeking recovery from Substance Use Disorder and/or a co-occurring Diagnosis.

## **GOAL**

BCBH projects to serve fifty additional patients through substance use disorder screenings and/or referrals into medication-assisted treatment services for opioid use disorder.

**BAYCARE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, INC.  
 HERNANDO COUNTY OPIOID PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM  
 PROGRAM - CATEGORY 1: ABATEMENT STRATEGIES  
 (MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT, REVERSE DRUGS,  
 NAS TREATMENT, RECOVERY SERVICES)**

<b>FUNDING SOURCES &amp; REVENUES</b>	<b>Actual</b>
Program Funding	\$45,550
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$45,550</b>

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<b>EXPENSE CATEGORIES</b>	
Transportation	\$30,000
Participant Support Funds	\$1,250
Other	\$14,300
<b>SUB TOTAL</b>	<b>\$45,550</b>

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**TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES** **\$45,550**