

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-86**

**RESOLUTION BY THE FINANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE  
AUTHORIZING A THREE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH TWO OPTIONAL YEARS WITH  
MEND CORRECTIONAL CARE, PLLC FOR THE PROVISION OF COMPREHENSIVE  
INMATE HEALTH SERVICES WITHIN THE RACINE COUNTY JAIL**

To the Honorable Members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

**WHEREAS**, the Sheriff has a statutory duty to provide adequate, necessary medical care for inmates and detainees in the Racine County Jail; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sheriff selected MEnD Correctional Care as the preferred health provider at the jail based upon recommendations of a review board—consisting of two representatives of the Racine County Jail, one representative of the Purchasing Department, and one representative of the Office of Corporation Counsel—and a thorough review and evaluation of the proposals received for delivery of medical, dental, and mental health services at the Jail; and

**WHEREAS**, MEnD Correctional Care is developing a site-specific strategic plan and contract for the provision of inmate health services at the Jail; and

**WHEREAS**, a copy of the contract with MEnD Correctional Care will be filed with the County Clerk's office.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Racine County Board of Supervisors authorizes and approves a contract between Racine County and MEnD Correctional Care for the provision of comprehensive inmate health services within the Racine County Jail under the following terms and conditions:

1. The contract is for the period of November 15, 2019, through December 31, 2022, with the option to renew for two (2) additional one (1) year periods;
2. The contract will provide a \$240,000 liability cap;
3. The base price plus liability cap for 2020 is \$1,643,000.00, and subsequent maximum increases for 2021-2024 are 2%;
4. Staffing levels designed to allow efficient:
  - a. 24/7 nursing coverage at the facility
  - b. Screenings for medical issues identified during the intake process;
  - c. Physicals within 14 days of entry into facility;
  - d. Response to and triage of sick calls and medical request forms;
  - e. Response to medical emergencies when on-site (inmate, staff, visitors);
  - f. Coordination of pharmaceutical services;
  - g. Administration of medication while on duty;
  - h. Orders for special medical dietary needs;
  - i. Coordination of laboratory and x-ray services;
  - j. Training of officers and staff on health-related issues;
  - k. Education on health-related issues;
  - l. Attendance to chronic care;
  - m. Review of diet lists and monitoring of blood sugar weekly;
  - n. Response to emergency care when needed;
  - o. Coordination of dental and mental health care;

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- 4 p. Provision of on-site prenatal care when needed;
- 5 p. Coordination and monitoring of off-site care;
- 6 q. Performance of venipuncture for blood draw; and
- 7 r. Assistance to the practitioner for procedures as needed.
- 8 5. Staff levels include:
  - 9 a. Medical Director –two (2) hours bi-weekly directly within the jail;
  - 10 b. Medical Provider – will work 40 hours per week within the facility; 24/7 on-
  - 11 call;
  - 12 c. Nurses – on site coverage to include 288 total hours per week, with
  - 13 guaranteed 24/7 coverage; RN – 144 hours on site per week; Other
  - 14 nursing services (RN or LPN) – 144 hours on site per week;
  - 15 d. Nurse Practitioner – 40 hours on site per week;
  - 16 e. Psychiatrist – on site a minimum of four (4) hours bi-weekly; 24/7 on-call;
  - 17 f. Social Worker – 80 hours per week on site, with at least Masters level
  - 18 education;
  - 19 g. Medical Records Clerk – minimum 40 hours on site per week;
  - 20 h. Medical Director – a single contact to manage the scope of healthcare
  - 21 services;
  - 22 i. Site Supervisor licensed at a minimum as a RN up to four (32) hours on
  - 23 site per week
- 24 6. Such other terms and conditions as the Corporation Counsel and Sheriff deem
- 25 necessary and appropriate; and
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27 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that the  
28 fiscal note, as set forth in Exhibit “A” that is attached hereto, is hereby authorized and  
29 approved; and

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31 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that any  
32 two of the County Clerk, the County Executive and/or the County Board Chairman are  
33 authorized to execute any contracts, agreements, amendments, or other documents  
34 necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution.

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37 Respectfully submitted,

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39 1st Reading \_\_\_\_\_

**FINANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES  
COMMITTEE**

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41 2nd Reading \_\_\_\_\_

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43 **BOARD ACTION**

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Robert N. Miller, Chairman

44 Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

45 For \_\_\_\_\_

46 Against \_\_\_\_\_

47 Absent \_\_\_\_\_

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Brett A. Nielsen, Vice-Chairman

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49 VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

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Q.A. Shakoor, II, Secretary

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51 Prepared by:  
52 Corporation Counsel

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Janet Bernberg

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8 Mike Dawson

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11 Thomas Pringle

12 The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of  
13 Racine County, Wisconsin, is hereby:

14 Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

15 Vetoed: \_\_\_\_\_

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17 Date: \_\_\_\_\_,

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20 Jonathan Delagrave, County Executive

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23 **INFORMATION ONLY**

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25 **WHEREAS**, the current contract for inmate health services within the Racine  
26 County Jail with Advanced Correctional is set to expire on December 31, 2019; and

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28 **WHEREAS**, in anticipation of the expiring contract for inmate health services,  
29 Racine County obtained proposals for the provision of comprehensive inmate health  
30 services within the Jail; and

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32 **WHEREAS**, during the bidding process for these services, MEnD Correctional  
33 Care, PLLC provided the most attractive bid based upon its ability to fulfill the RFP  
34 requirements and its competitive pricing within the industry and:

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1. The \$240,000 liability cap compares favorably to the current expiring contract's \$235,000 liability cap;
  2. The base price plus liability cap for 2020 in an amount not to exceed \$1,643,000 is \$43,000 above the projected 2020 budget, and \$33,240 more than the closest bid which only provided a \$200,000 liability cap;
  3. The subsequent maximum increases for 2020-2022 are below the other bid;
  4. The average daily population (ADP) for the county jail is currently 740. The closest competitive bid charges a per diem rate of \$1.25/day per inmate above 765. MEnD will request renegotiation if the inmate count is 10% above ADP, or 814, for 3 consecutive months. To date the Jail has not had a monthly ADP higher than 794 for the past two years (2018 & 2019);
  5. MEnD Correctional Care has been providing inmate healthcare for eleven (11) years and has never had a lawsuit judgment levied against it;
  6. MEnD Correctional Care has 42 clients in 5 states;
  7. MEnD Correctional Care projects a personalized and proactive commitment to inmate health services tailored specifically to the needs of the Jail;
  8. MEnD Correctional Care offers a non-mandatory Electronic Medical Record service at \$0.10 per diem;

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4         **WHEREAS**, the review board—consisting of two representatives of the Racine  
5 County Jail, one representative of the Purchasing Department, and one representative of  
6 the Office of Corporation Counsel—was unanimous in its recommendation of MEnD  
7 Correctional Care as the provider of inmate health services at the Jail; and

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9         **WHEREAS**, entering into a contract with MEnD Correctional Care for the provision  
10 of inmate health services at the Jail is in the best interest of Racine County.

THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT IS FOR 3 YEARS WITH TWO ADDITIONAL 1 YEAR TERMS

	Yrly Amt	Change	% Change
Year 1	1,643,000		
Year 2	1,675,860	32,860	2.00%
Year 3	1,709,377	33,517	2.00%
Year 4 - Opt	1,743,565	34,187	2.00%
Year 5 - Opt	1,778,436	34,872	2.00%

In order to train the incoming new staff the Sheriff's Office is requesting the current vendor and the new vendor overlap for half month at an estimated cost of \$25,000

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

After reviewing the Resolution/Ordinance and fiscal information supplied, your Finance Committee recommends FOR--AGAINST adoption.

REASONS

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