



Cumberland County

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Position Paper

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Agenda Item Request:

Authorization for the County Manager to enter into a sole source contract between Cumberland County and Health Resources in Action.

Background and Purpose of Request:

Requestor: Liz Blackwell-Moore, Public Health Department

The Health Resources in Action is equipped to provide the type of consultation we need in the short timeframe. Given the narrow scope of the work and the urgent timing of the project, we are asking for the authorization of a sole source contract of \$30,000 to Health Resources in Action.

The Public Health Department needs to hire a consultant to make substance use data findings accessible to non-public health professionals, and then plan and facilitate three in-person engagement sessions with the community-based organizations to identify and prioritize the most effective prevention strategies for the populations of focus. The project must be completed by June 30, 2025.

Please refer to the attached memo for more detail.

Presentation: no

Funding Amount and Source:

\$30,000 from the Maine Prevention Network Grant

Effective Date if Applicable:

1/06/2025