

November 6, 2023

Teresa Deaton-Reese, Procurement Consultant
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Dear Teresa:

It is with great interest that I write this letter of support for Hamilton Center Inc.'s Request for Services submission (REF 24-77045) regarding the statewide expansion of the Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) model. Hamilton Center is uniquely positioned to be a part of the State's application for a demonstration program.

I am aware the CCBHC model will allow robust expansion of the behavioral health system in Indiana with an emphasis on crisis services, alignment with 988, integration with primary care and broadening access for all Hoosiers, particularly those most vulnerable.

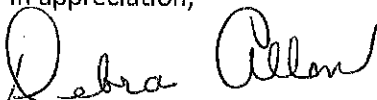
Hamilton Center has been a remarkable community partner in central and west central Indiana since 1971. Their integration with all segments of the community has promoted strong collaboration and provided access to quality care for 13,000 consumers spanning a ten-county area. Most recently, the organization added 24/7 crisis services (including mobile crisis), a Federally Qualified Health Center Look-Alike, three certified opioid treatment programs and has been selected by SAMHSA to operate as a CCBHC since 2020.

Our organization, Clay County Substance Council (CCSAC), has an approximate 25-year membership with Hamilton Center. Hamilton Center provides many services for our youth and our adults in Clay County. Some of the programs supported by our LCC grant funds include programs that benefit children and adolescents of trauma, teen substance abuse, and teen reduction referrals to Juvenile Probation. Hamilton Center also provides valuable data which helps support our LCC's Comprehensive Plan. Overall, our relationship with Hamilton Center continues to foster valuable programs for our county.

It is with great enthusiasm I support their desire to be a part of the State's demonstration program. Our organization is committed to becoming a referral source for Hamilton Center's CCBHC or even a Designated Collaborating Organization (DCO).

Should you need further information, please contact me. mrsa.nhs8@gmail.com

In appreciation,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Debra Allen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Debra" and last name "Allen" clearly distinguishable.

Debra Allen
Clay County LCC Coordinator