

Memorandum of Understanding

2025-MGHGB1

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into by and between Marion General Hospital, Inc. dba Marion Health (MGH), Great Beginnings and the Grant County Health Department (GCHD).

1. PURPOSE

To reduce the number of pregnant women in Grant County who use tobacco products during pregnancy (currently 17%).

To reduce the current Grant County Infant Mortality Rate of 9.7 per 1,000 live births.

To actively work in partnership and create a flow of communication and resources related to maternal and infant health between the MGH, Great Beginnings and GCHD to provide support, education, and community resources for our pregnant/postpartum citizens and their infants.

2. PROVISIONS

A. Grant County Health Department agrees to:

- a) Provide \$70,000 to MGH to financially assist in funding the Great Beginnings program.

b) Marion General Hospital, Great Beginnings program agrees to:

- a) Provide prenatal/postnatal education, a car seat education program, referral services, safe sleep classes, and a smoking cessation program to include free diapers for up to a year after delivery for those who successfully quit smoking/vaping.
- b) Provide monthly activity reports of Great Beginnings activities, events and programs.
- c) Provide monthly updates of Great Beginnings goals and outcomes of said programs.

3. TERMS

- a) This MOU shall be effective for the 2025 calendar year.
- b) The MOU amount shall not exceed \$70,000.

4. MODIFICATION AND TERMINATION

This MOU may be amended and/or extended by mutual agreement of the parties. Any such amendment or extension shall be by written mutual consent of the parties with the same formality as this original MOU.

This MOU may be terminated in whole or in part by either party, upon thirty (30) days' written notice, if such party determines that termination is in its best interest.

5. NOTICE TO PARTIES

Where written notice is required under this MOU, it shall be provided to the following agency contacts:

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Grant County Health Department:

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Date

Marion General Hospital, Inc. dba Marion Health

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