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**Subject:** RE: Cooperative Purchasing Request

Bryan,

Your emergency request is approved for a six-month period. Please follow emergency purchasing procedures as found in the Handbook and follow up with documentation for award within 30 days.

Regards,  
Mike

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Mike/Frank, please see the attached request for an emergency purchase of drug screening services for 6 month term with a budget of \$600,000 for the ODCP. During the emergency period we will competitively bid for a long term contract. Given the on-going opioid crisis here in the State I recommend approval of this request.

Bryan

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**Subject:** RE: Cooperative Purchasing Request

Bobby,

Per our conversation and after review, the Purchasing Division is rejecting the cooperative request for drug and alcohol testing based on the following reasons –

1. This request or addition is more than 20% over the original bid amount; and
2. Other vendors could perform or provide these goods and services.

In the meantime, a short-term emergency may be requested to cover the time needed to develop, advertise and award a new contract.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thanks,  
Tara

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\$2.6M is what was on the requisition – CRQM 0511 BCF17\*1.

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Just a quick question –

Do you know what the estimated spend was on the original contract, CMA BCF18\*1?

Thanks,  
Tara

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**Importance:** High

Attached you will find a Cooperative Purchasing Request to allow ODCP to utilize CMA 0511 BCF18\*1. This request is part of the Jobs and Hope WV Program that was announced during the State of the State address. If you have any questions or need additional information, please let us know.

Thanks,

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Re: *Verification for Emergency Purchase*

Mr. Rosen,

The purpose of this letter is to substantiate cause for the emergency purchase of drug screening services that are needed by the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources Office of Drug Control Policy (ODCP) to serve participants of the Governor's initiative, Jobs and Hope WV.

Our state is in crisis and hope for the future is a key factor to stemming the cycle of substance use disorders. In January of 2019, Governor Jim Justice announced in the State of the State address, his strategy to make a positive impact on the state's problem with substance use disorders in a plan titled, Jim's Dream. This initiative is now called Jobs and Hope WV and is quickly becoming a reality. This is a beginning-to-end program that allows an individual who has received substance use disorder treatment and recovery services to also receive free vocational training and career and technical education. All West Virginians are eligible to receive free additional training and certification whether they have a substance use disorder or not.

The ODCP has been tasked with the implementation of this initiative, in partnership with the West Virginia Department of Education (WVDE) and Workforce WV. The WVDE has recently hired 11 Transition Agents as liaisons to work with treatment and recovery providers on referring participants and linking them to education and career employment. These Transition Agents have already completed initial training and are now active as of July 15, 2019 in all seven WorkForce WV regions. They have received 129 referrals to date.

The population of WV is about 1.8M but our current labor participation rate is staggeringly low at 754,000 (WorkForce WV, June 2019). It is the strong belief, this is due to the numerous barriers that West Virginians face when seeking employment. The ODCP's priority lies in eliminating existing barriers to education and employment. To be eligible for the Jobs and Hope WV program, participant's must be screened for drug use and return a negative result. Some participants are

already involved in the treatment and recovery programs, TANF, or other social services and will not require additional drug screening; they need only provide the results to their Transition Agents. The participant's that do not have involvement with those entities, however, will need these services to be provided by the state. Paying for drug testing is a barrier that our office wishes to eliminate. Since Transition Agents have begun working, they require drug screening services for participants as soon as possible.

If Transition Agents do not have these critical services available, the program will be inoperable in any case where participants do not have access to regular drug screening. People in recovery from substance use disorders are the foundation of the Jobs and Hope WV program outlined by Governor Justice in his state of the state address. While people in recovery are the focus, anyone in the state can take advantage of this opportunity if they meet the eligibility guidelines.

Given that it is such a short time frame and pursuant of an aggressive launch date, an emergency purchase is not only necessary but the failure to provide these services is a failure to carry out the program as outlined in Jim's Dream. The ODCP has set aside \$600,000 for the drug screening line item in the budget for Jobs and Hope WV. This is a vital service that must occur for West Virginians to be successful.

In conclusion, ODCP is the requesting a source who can immediately begin serving the Jobs and Hope WV participants. This project is time sensitive and a passion of the Governor of our great state. It is in the best interest of our state and its people to begin serving people and provide the hope that has been missing and so desperately needed.

Should you have any questions or need anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Robert H. Hansen  
Director