## Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services Mobile Medication Unit for Substance Use Disorder Date of Final Award – October 1, 2024

Name of Program: Mobile Medication Unit for Substance Use Disorder

## **Purpose:**

This Request for Proposal (RFP) was issued by the New Jersey Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) for an initiative that enables agencies to travel to communities on a regular basis to provide low-threshold medication services to people with a substance use disorder (SUD) who encounter obstacles to receiving services at traditional "brick-and-mortar" treatment agencies. This initiative, Mobile Medication Unit for Substance User Disorder (MMU), is designed to increase access to medications for SUD, i.e., buprenorphine, methadone, naloxone, naltrexone or acamprosate; medical referral services, case management; and recovery support services. A large benefit over brick-and-mortar clinics is the fact that MMUs can travel to those who most need services. Additionally, one MMU can service multiple neighborhoods and can travel to targeted areas in the community as drug use patterns emerge. By becoming a recognizable presence in a community, MMUs become familiar to, and gain credibility with, the community in high-risk neighborhoods.

The successful bidders will serve, at minimum, 200 people on an annual basis, and maintain a minimum caseload of 125 people (within one year of contract implementation) at all times. Bidders must be licensed by the NJ Department of Health, Division of Certificate of Need and Licensing (CN&L) as an ambulatory Opioid Treatment Program (OTP).

Funding for this RFP is subject to New Jersey's Opioid Settlement State appropriations. The funding is limited to the provision of mobile medication services in the following counties, where mobile medication services do not currently exist through DMHAS funding: Bergen, Burlington, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Salem, Somerset, Sussex and Warren. Three awards were made in the total amount of \$2,961,000, which includes start-up funds to purchase an MMU in the amount of \$325,000 each.

Agency Name	CEO/ Executive Director	Amount Funded*	County of Award
New Brunswick Counseling Center DBA Burlington Comprehensive Counseling	Sandra Lutomski, Executive Director	\$943,000	Burlington
New Brunswick Counseling Center	Sandra Lutomski, Executive Director	\$943,000	Middlesex
JSAS HealthCare, Inc.	Margaret B. Rizzo, Executive Director/ CEO	\$1,075,000	Monmouth, Ocean

<sup>\*</sup>Actual amount may differ depending upon final contractual negotiation.