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Ms. Donna Jerry Senior Health Policy Analyst Green Mountain Care Board 89 Main Street, City Center Montpelier, VT 05620

LETTER OF INTENT 10 Crest Road, St. Albans, VT 05478-9710

Dear Ms. Jerry,

WHO WE ARE:

BAART Programs has been providing opioid addiction treatment for 40 years. We have helped thousands of people recover from opiate dependence and get their lives back through evidencebased treatment and individualized counseling. Our mission is to provide comprehensive medication assisted treatment for opioid use disorder to foster wellness, longevity and socially responsible behavior for the patients we serve. We have been providing these services for over 10 years in Vermont, including St. Johnsbury, Newport and Berlin through the Vermont HUB and SPOKE model of care. We currently serve approximately 1800 patients in all three locations combined. We were awarded the grant by ADAP to provide these same services in Franklin County, which has been identified as an area of high need for Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) services. We propose, at the request of the state, to open a temporary clinic in St. Albans to serve the immediate need of this town, while the permanent site is undergoing construction. We plan to begin to serve approximately 150 patients in this time, many of whom are travelling for these services to Newport and Burlington every day, taxing the Medicaid transportation system and compromising recovery progress.

SERVICE PROVISION:

Service provision includes daily dispensing of maintenance medication (Methadone and Buprenorphine), comprehensive medical and psychosocial assessment, random urinalysis and breathalyzer testing. We provide intensive individual and group counseling, that includes evidence based therapeutic approaches such as cognitive behavioral therapy and relapse prevention. We provide case management by way of referral services, transition and aftercare planning, addiction and life skills education and collaboration with other community providers to treat the patient as a whole.

STAFFING:

For this temporary location, we plan to begin with the following staff: Medical Director, 0.50 FTE Treatment Center Director, 1.0 FTE Supervising Counselor, 1.0 FTE Counselors, 2.0 FTE

Dispensing Nurse, 1.5 FTE Receptionist, 1.5 FTE Security guard, 1.5 FTE Fiscal Clerk, 1.0 FTE

SERVICE AREA:

We will serve the following areas:
Franklin County
Grand Isle
Addison County

OPERATING COST

To be provided on May 15, 2017

We thank you for this opportunity to provide quality care for the residents of this area. We look forward to hearing from you.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Goguen

Regional Director of Operations

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