

Contractual Service Agreement Between H.O.P.E (Helping Others Pursue Excellence) and Marion County Board of Education

This agreement is entered between the Marion County Board of Education and H.O.P.E (Helping Others Pursue Excellence) for the 2021-2022 school year relating to professional mental health services provided by H.O.P.E. These services will be provided for students within the Marion County School District in conjunction with the Family Resource and Youth Service Centers.

H.O.P.E agrees to:

1. Provide mental health counseling to specified students which may include the following modalities: Individual, family, group, and collateral services.
2. Ensure that all services under this agreement will be provided by a mental health professional with a master's degree (or above) in Counseling, Psychology, social work, or a related field.
3. Provide Professional liability insurance coverage for all professionals Providing services under this agreement.
4. Establish and maintain a treatment record for each child receiving counseling services under this agreement in accordance with the department of Licensure, Department of Mental Health, Medicaid, and other applicable standards.
5. Maintain confidentiality for persons receiving services under this agreement in accordance with applicable professional standards, laws, and regulations.
6. Provide educational consultation services to staff.
7. H.O.P.E agrees to bill Medicaid and or private insurances for all students covered. The Marion County Board of education will not be billed for services not covered.
8. Services Provider agrees to provide the above-described services as an independent contractor. Withholding of FICA, Federal, State, and local taxes will not be the responsibility of Marion County Board of Education.
9. The contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the Marion County Board of Education, its employees, and volunteers, against any and all claims, demands or loss including attorneys' fees, as a result of any injury which arises out of or is any way connected with the actions of vendors, vendors agents, employees or assigns.

Marion County schools agree to:

1. Provide suitable space for the delivery of mental health services to provide confidentiality.
2. Maintain confidentiality related to the treatment of services provided under this agreement in accordance with applicable professional standards and applicable laws and regulations.
3. Marion County Schools and The Family Resource/Youth services centers will not be billed for any services covered by Medicaid and/or private insurance. When requested services are consistent with medical necessity as defined by the center of Medicaid and Medicare and as allowable regarding the credentials of the providers involved, for all students covered by such.

This agreement becomes effective in the later date signed below. Either party may terminate this agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice to the other party.

Superintendent

Terry Patterson CO-ED

Co-executive Director

Date

6-19-2021

Date