

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT

This contract is made and entered into this 15 day of June, 2026, by and between the Cleveland County Board of County Commissioners (hereinafter Board) and **Patsy Stafford** (hereinafter Program Screening Coordinator).

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, it is mutually agreed between the parties hereto that beginning July 1, 2026:

1. Program Screening Coordinator agrees to attend staffings and court reviews, to ensure screening and testing services remain current and available for Family Drug Court (FDC). Program Screening Coordinator agrees to any other duties as determined by the board from time to time.
2. Board agrees to pay Program Screening Coordinator the sum of Twelve Thousand-Six Hundred Dollars (\$12,600.00) per year, with monthly payments in the amount of One Thousand and Fifty Dollars (\$1050.00). The Program Screening Coordinator will invoice the Board monthly for the monthly amount set forth above.
3. Audit Clause: The Program Screening Coordinator agrees that all books, records, documents, accounting procedures, practices or any other item of the service provided relevant to this contract are subject to examination by the county, and the State Auditor and Inspector.
4. Both parties agree that this contract will be in full force and effect until June 30, 2027. Both parties also agree that either party upon ninety (90) days written notice may terminate this contract at any time.
5. The parties understand that Program Screening Coordinator is an independent contractor with respect to the services provided and not an employee of the Board

or any third party with which the Program Screening Coordinator has been directed to work. The Board is not responsible for and will not provide benefits or any obligation at law relating to employment, including health insurance benefits, workers compensation insurance, paid vacation, or any other employee benefit, for the benefit of Administrator, Administrator's employees or agents.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto set their hands the day and year first above written.

CLEVELAND COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Jacob McHughes - Chairman

PROGRAM SCREENING COORDINATOR

Patsy Stafford

Patsy Stafford

Approved as to Form and Legality:

Assistant DA, Cleveland County

Rusty Grissom - Vice Chairman

Rod Cleveland - Member

ATTEST:

Pam Howlett, County Clerk