



Governing Board Agenda Item

Meeting Date: September 3, 2026

From: Denise Linsalata, Assistant Superintendent

Subject: Memorandum of Understanding with Marana Health Center

Priority: To ensure that students are safe, known, and valued

Consent ☐ Action ☒ Discussion ☐

Background:

The proposed one-year Memorandum of Understanding establishes a partnership between Marana Unified School District (MUSD) and Marana Health Center (MHC) to expand eligible students' access to behavioral health services. Services may be provided on MUSD campuses, through telehealth, or at MHC locations and may include assessments, counseling, crisis intervention, care coordination, referrals, and related behavioral health support. Parent/caregiver consent is mandatory, and services cannot be provided without that consent.

This partnership will reduce barriers to care and connect students with timely behavioral health support. MHC will retain responsibility for clinical staffing, supervision, records, consent requirements, supplies, and equipment. There is no direct cost to the District. Services will be billed to the student's applicable insurance provider or paid for through MHC's Sliding Fee Discount Program for uninsured or underinsured students. No student will be denied services due to an inability to pay.

When services are provided on campus, the District's in-kind responsibilities include providing an appropriate private space and staff support for referrals, scheduling, consent-form collection, and program coordination.

The Memorandum of Understanding has been approved by the District's legal counsel.

Recommended Motion:

I move that the Governing Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Marana Health Center and the Marana Unified School District.

Approved for transmittal to the Governing Board: 
Dr. Daniel Streeter, Superintendent

Questions should be directed to: Denise Linsalata, Assistant Superintendent
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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

Between
Marana Health Center, Inc. and
Marana Unified School District

Effective Date: 8.11.26

Term: 1 Year

1. Purpose

This Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) establishes a collaborative partnership between Marana Health Center, Inc. (“Marana Health”) and Marana Unified School District (“MUSD”) to improve student access to behavioral health services by providing on-site and/or school-linked care.

2. Scope of Services

Marana Health agrees to provide behavioral health services to eligible students, which may include:

- Behavioral health assessments and screenings
- Individual and/or group counseling
- Crisis intervention and risk assessment
- Care coordination and referrals
- Consultation with school staff (as appropriate and permitted)

Services may be provided:

- On school campuses
- Via telehealth
- At Marana Health locations **3.**

Roles and Responsibilities

Marana Health Center, Inc.

Marana Health will:

- Provide qualified, licensed behavioral health professionals
- Ensure compliance with all applicable laws (including HIPAA)
- Obtain appropriate consent for treatment prior to services
- Maintain clinical records in accordance with typical organizational processes
- Bill for services as outlined in Section 5
- Provide culturally and linguistically appropriate care

- Communicate with school personnel as permitted by law and consent

Marana Unified School District

The District will:

- Provide appropriate space for service delivery (if on-site)
- Assist with student identification and referrals
- Obtain or support collection of parent/guardian consent as needed
- Coordinate scheduling during school hours
- Ensure compliance with applicable laws (including FERPA)
- Designate a liaison for coordination with Marana Health

4. Student Eligibility

Services will be available to students enrolled in the District who:

- Have appropriate parent/guardian consent (or are otherwise legally able to consent)
- Meet clinical criteria for behavioral health services

5. Payment and Billing

- Marana Health will bill third-party payers (e.g., Medicaid, AHCCCS, or commercial insurance) for services rendered when applicable.
- For uninsured or underinsured students, Marana Health will apply its Sliding Fee Discount Program in accordance with federal requirements.
- The District will not be financially responsible for services provided under this agreement unless otherwise agreed in writing.
- No student will be denied services based on inability to pay.

6. Confidentiality and Information Sharing

- Both parties agree to comply with all applicable privacy laws, including HIPAA and FERPA.
- Information sharing will occur only with appropriate consent and in accordance with applicable law.
- Separate releases of information will be obtained as necessary.

7. Consent • Marana Health is responsible for obtaining informed consent for

treatment.

- The District may assist in distributing and collecting consent forms but is not responsible for clinical consent processes.

8. Facilities and Equipment

- The District will provide a private, appropriate space for services (if services occur on campus).
- Marana Health will provide necessary clinical supplies and equipment.

9. Staffing and Supervision

- Marana Health staff remain employees of Marana Health and are not employees of the District.
- Marana Health is responsible for supervision, credentialing, and compliance of its staff.

10. Liability and Insurance

- Each party will maintain appropriate liability insurance.
- Each party is responsible for the acts and omissions of its own employees and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the other party from any liability resulting from the acts and omissions of its own employees.

11. Term and Termination

- This MOU will remain in effect for one year.
- Either party may terminate with 30 days written notice.
- Immediate termination may occur for breach of terms or safety concerns.

12. Data Sharing and Reporting

- Marana Health may provide de-identified aggregate data to the District for program evaluation, such as:
 - Number of students served
 - Types of services provided
 - General outcomes (where appropriate)

13. Non-Discrimination

Both parties agree to comply with all applicable federal and state non-discrimination laws.

14. Independent Entities

This MOU does not create a joint venture, partnership, or employment relationship between the parties.

15. Amendments

This MOU may be amended only by written agreement signed by both parties.

16. Miscellaneous

- This MOU may be cancelled if a conflict of interest is present as set out in Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 38-511, the terms of which statute are deemed incorporated herein.
- To the extent applicable under A.R.S. § 41-4401, each party warrants compliance with all federal immigration laws and regulations that relate to its Arizona-based employees and, with regard to such employees, agrees to comply with the E-Verify requirements pursuant to A.R.S. § 23-214(A). A party's breach of the above referenced warranty shall be deemed a material breach of this MOU. To the extent required by Arizona law, the parties each retain the legal right to inspect the papers and records of the other party to ensure compliance with this paragraph.
- To the extent applicable under A.R.S. § 35-394, _Marana Health certifies that it does not currently, and agrees for the duration of the MOU that it will not, use: (1) the forced labor of ethnic Uyghurs in the People's Republic of China; (2) any goods or services produced by the forced labor of ethnic Uyghurs in the People's Republic of China; or (3) any contractors, subcontractors or suppliers that use the forced labor of ethnic Uyghurs in the People's Republic of China. If Marana becomes aware during the term of the MOU that it is not in compliance with this written certification, Marana Health shall notify the District within five (5) business days after becoming aware of the noncompliance. If Marana Health does not provide the District with a written certification that it has remedied the noncompliance within 180 days after notifying the District of the noncompliance, the MOU will terminate, except that if the MOU termination date occurs before the end of the remedy period the MOU terminates on the MOU termination date.

17. Signatures

Marana Health Center, Inc.

Name: _____ Joshua Carzoli
 Title: _____ DocuSigned by: Chief Executive Officer
 Signature: _____ *Joshua Carzoli*
 Date: _____ B33957C8F407426... 8/11/2026

Marana Unified School District

Name: Dr. Daniel Streeter
 Title: Superintendent
 Signature: _____
 Date: 9/3/26