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- (A) **Report Only** **Recognition**

Presenter(s):

Briefly describe the subject of the report or recognition presentation.

- (B) **Action Item**

Presenter(s): SAMUEL MIJARES, ASST. SUPT. FOR CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

Briefly describe the action required.

CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE REQUEST TO APPROVE A COOPERATIVE WORKING AGREEMENT BETWEEN EPISD & THE RURAL INTERVENTION (RBI) PROGRAM of SERVING CHILDREN and ADULTS in NEED (SCAN), Inc. FOR THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR.

- (C) **Funding source: Identify the source of funds if any are required.**

- (D) **Clarification: Explain any question or issues that might be raised regarding this item.**



COOPERATIVE WORKING AGREEMENT

This *Cooperative Working Agreement is entered between **Eagle Pass Independent School** and the **Rural Border Intervention (RBI) Program** of **Serving Children and Adults in Need (SCAN), Inc.** for the purpose of coordinating drug prevention and intervention activities/services and referrals for students during FY 2015-2016. This MOU also serves to maximize resources by preventing the duplication of services.

The RBI Program of SCAN agrees to provide the following to the students a **Eagle Pass Independent School**:

1. Kids' Connection drug-prevention curriculum lessons to students participating in the **RBI Program**.
2. Drug-free and tobacco-free alternative activities, motivational sessions and referrals, and minor and tobacco presentations to students and alternative activities and presentations to parents/guardians of students participating in the **RBI Program**.

Eagle Pass Independent School agrees to:

1. Refer students between the grades of 2nd-5th to participate in **RBI Program** activities.
2. Work in conjunction with SCAN to ensure that program participants receive comprehensive prevention and intervention services.
3. Provide an appropriate location for **RBI** staff to provide curriculum lessons and other services at the school.
4. Have staff provide at least one (1) to two (2) curriculum lessons per week of at least thirty (45) minutes duration each to participating students.
5. Have staff complete required **RBI Program** forms, pre-tests, and post-tests for students participating in the program.
6. Provide occasional access to participating students in the classroom for brief presentations on alcohol, tobacco, and other drug issues and to participated in brief drug-free alternative activities throughout the school year.

Furthermore, **Eagle Pass Independent School**,

(1) Acknowledges that in receiving, storing, processing, or otherwise dealing with any information from SCAN, Inc. about the participants in the program, it is fully bound by the provisions of the federal regulations governing Confidentiality of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Patient Records, 42 CFR Part 2, and (2) undertakes to resist in judicial proceedings any effort to obtain access to information pertaining to participants otherwise than as expressly provided for in the federal confidentiality regulations, 42 CFR Part 2.

Terms and Termination:

The terms of this cooperative working agreement shall begin September 1, 2015 and will end on August 31, 2016.

Amendment and Modification:

This agreement may be amended by agreement of the parties above mentioned. Said amendment or modification will become a part of this agreement. In witness thereof, this cooperative working agreement has been executed by each agency's authorized representative on the dates listed below:

Gilberto Gonzales
Superintendent
Eagle Pass Independent School

Date

Carlos Briseno, LCDC
Program Director
RBI Program of SCAN, Inc.

Date

*A Cooperative Working Agreement is not a contract

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between Serving Children and Adults in Need, Inc. - Services to At-Risk Program (STAR) and Eagle Pass Independent School District

SCAN's mission is to foster the healthy development of children, adolescents, families, and communities through the provision of engaging, responsive, comprehensive, and developmentally appropriate services that are deeply rooted in the community.

The STAR Program serves families with children ages 0-17 years who have presented for services due to family conflict/crisis and who will benefit from services intended to prevent child maltreatment and increase family functioning/resiliency and who are not currently under investigation by Child Protective Services.

Youth ages 10-17 years who are at risk for one of the following conditions and have not been formally adjudicated by a court of law –juvenile delinquency, truancy, or unaccompanied youth (runaway/homeless) and their families.

Eligibility Exceptions

Child Protective Services Involvement:

- If CPS is in the process of an investigation of child abuse/neglect, STAR may not register the youth or family for service until the CPS investigation is closed.
- A family with an open CPS case beyond the investigation stage, and with the presenting problem of family conflict, may not be registered for STAR services as this family will be receiving CPS services for family issues.
- Youth in the conservatorship of CPS are not eligible to receive emergency care services through the STAR program services.

Juvenile Justice Involvement:

- Youth who have been adjudicated and convicted of either a misdemeanor or state jail felony offense are not eligible for STAR services.
- Youth whose case are pre-adjudicated, informally adjudicated, or whose adjudication has been deferred are eligible for STAR services.

During the FY 2016 (September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2016):

Eagle Pass Independent School District agrees to offer support to SCAN in the implementation of the STAR Program by:

- 1) Referring youth between the ages of 0-17 to participate in Services for At-risk program services.
- 2) Work in conjunction with SCAN, Inc. to ensure that program youth receive comprehensive prevention and early intervention services.
- 3) Provide an appropriate location for STAR program staff to provide screening, assessment and/or counseling services.

The STAR agrees to:

1. Provide Toll-free telephone services. 2) Provide crisis family and youth counseling. 3) Emergency care services (youth shelter services). 4) Family and Youth short-term counseling. 5) Parenting skills. 6) Youth coping skills training.

Gilberto Gonzalez
Superintendent , Eagle Pass Independent School District

Date: _____

Michelle Saldana
Serving Children and Adults in Need, Inc.

Date: _____

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