## Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services Open Access to Medications for Opioid Use Disorder in Homeless Shelters Date of Final Award – May 11, 2023

Name of Program: Open Access to Medications for Opioid Use Disorder in Homeless Shelters

## **Purpose:**

This Request for Proposal (RFP) was issued by the New Jersey Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS), to increase access to buprenorphine and other ancillary services for individuals with a substance use disorder (SUD) through current programming available at homeless shelters. These providers will develop the capacity to provide medication and support services for individuals who reside or drop in at homeless shelters. The intent of the program is to provide low threshold medication services to individuals with a SUD who present in these settings.

The successful bidders will initiate medication for SUD and maintain the individual on that medication or transition the individual to a community provider, including, but not limited to: an Office Based Addictions Treatment (OBAT) provider or licensed treatment provider that can administer buprenorphine and other medications for SUD, as well as deliver the appropriate level of counseling, or other appropriate support service. The aim is that there will be no gaps in medication, caused by the provider or providers, for individuals served in this program.

This RFP is funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) Block Grant. DMHAS made one award in the amount of \$425,000.

Agency Name	CEO/ Executive Director	Amount Funded*	County of Services
County of Bergen, Department	Thomas Duch, County		
of Human Services	Administrator	\$425,000	Bergen

<sup>\*</sup>Actual amount may differ depending upon final contractual negotiation.