



**TOWNSHIP OF WINFIELD RESOLUTION #23-50
 COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
 BETWEEN WINFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT
 AND
 TRINITAS MEDICAL CENTER**

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 30:4-27.1, et seq and NJAC 10:31-1-.1 et seq, it is the policy of this State to provide for a public mental health system that delivers treatment consistent with a person's clinical condition, and that screening services be developed as the public mental health system's entry point in order to provide accessible crisis intervention and referral services to persons with mental illness clinically appropriate alternatives to inpatient care, and, when necessary, to provide means for involuntary commitment to treatment; and

WHEREAS, this MOU is intended to memorialize the relationship and delineate the responsibilities of the Parties in this cooperative joint effort; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement officers may request the assistance of mental health specialists when responding to emergency service calls that relate to behavioral health crises and mental health personnel may request assistance from officers when responding to requests for emergency screenings; and

WHEREAS, the Parties agree that in the performance of the MOU and the Program, they will comply with all applicable federal, State, and local laws, statutes, and regulations, including all requirements of the Screening Law and Regulations and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA); and

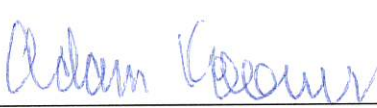
WHEREAS, Addendum Two was created to amend the existing Agreement and supplement Addendum One to include additional municipalities as participants in the pilot program as permitted by Paragraph 17 of that Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Winfield Police Department is desirous of participating in the program pilot; and


NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WINFIELD AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Township Committee authorizes the Winfield Chief of Police to take all actions reasonable and necessary in connection with all duties and obligations as authorized in the Memorandum of Agreement and herein.
2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Dated: September 18, 2023

	MOVED	SECONDED	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
			X			
MAYOR ADAM D. KOOMER			X			
COMM. JOSEPH P. BYRNE	X		X			
COMM. ROBERT F. REILLY		X	X			

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Winfield at a meeting held on September 18, 2023.


Melanie Stowik, Acting Twp. Clerk