

## COMMUNITY INTEGRATED HEALTH PROGRAM UPDATE

In line with to the January 17<sup>th</sup> Village meeting, in which the board, approved the CDCAC recommendation to fund the West Cook YMCA's (WCY) Community Integrated Health Program application in the amount of \$1,300,147.00 and since the funding approved was 50% of the original request amount, the WCY can confirm that it is very unlikely that any of the approved funds will need to be returned.

This brief update outlines the steps/actions we can take prior to being funded to prepare for the final grant agreement approval in February and so the project can proceed quickly, and project timelines can remain on schedule:

- 1. Position descriptions are being finalized and will be posted by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, to fill project coordinator and coaches
- 2. Taking steps to coordinate all training and certification sessions will take place to meeting launch of program.
- 3. Discussions with referral partner Rush Oak Park Hospital and Loyola Medicine are currently taking place so we can ensure the proper steps are taken to begin referring patience for our first cohort to be launch in the fall 2023
- 4. Meeting with the Village Public Health department has been scheduled with Dr. Chapple-McGruder to begin exploring ways we can collaborate and benefit from the Health Departments support and advise
- 5. We are identifying partners in the village of Oak Park who can assist in helping to build the public's awareness and drive referrals to the Community Integrated Health Initiative.
- 6. We have confirmed YMCA of the USA and other third-party partners role as we activate the Health Platform that designed to assist with program enrollment, program coordination, tracking of participants progress and data use and reporting to the village on an aggregate level. Launch of the health platform is slated for 8-10 months after initial funding is received
- 7. We are determining geographically ideal sites for program delivery locations in the three VOOP area codes.
- 8. We are developing process maps and timelines related to becoming fully certified for both Medicare Advantage and Plan B so we can ensure the Community Integrated Health Initiative sustainability after the grant funding sunsets December 2026
- 9. Contract with Third party partner needed to enable reimbursement from Medicare and Medicaid

So in summary in this pre-funding stage we are on track and have not concerns with the project being successfully implemented.

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