

**ORDER: AUTHORIZE LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR COMMUNICARE TO
APPLY FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH
SERVICES ADMINISTRATION SPECIAL PROJECTS GRANT**

Motion was made by Mike Roberts, duly seconded by Chad McLarty, to authorize letter of support for Communicare to apply for Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Special Projects Grant.


The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Kevin Frye, voted yes
Supervisor Jeff Busby, voted yes
Supervisor David Rikard, voted yes
Supervisor Chad McLarty, voted yes
Supervisor Mike Roberts, voted yes

After the vote, President Busby, declared the motion carried, this the 18th day of March, 2019.



Jeff Busby, President
Board of Supervisors



Sherry Wall, Chancery Clerk

February 24, 2019

Carole B. Haney, J.D.

Chair

North Mississippi Commission on MH/MR

(d.b.a. Communicare)

152 Highway 7 South

Oxford, MS 38655

Re: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Targeted Capacity Expansion: Special Projects (Short Title: TCE – **Special Projects**), FOA No. TI-19-007

Dear Chair Haney:

On behalf of the Lafayette County, I submit this Letter of Commitment to the North Mississippi Commission on MH/MR (d.b.a. Communicare) partnering with your organization and community providers in the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Targeted Capacity Expansion: Special Projects (Short Title: TCE – **Special Projects**), FOA No. TI-19-007, three-year project.

We have been involved with Communicare's Region 2 Expansion Planning Team and are committed to supporting the local Regional Mental Health Commission in this work by convening partners within various community sectors (education, law enforcement, housing, etc.) to discuss effective implementation strategies and system integration and coordination for women involved in the child welfare system in need of SUD treatment.

Lafayette County understands the importance of this critically needed treatment expansion and enhancement addressing an existing need, tripling treatment capacity and thereby, improving child welfare, behavioral health outcomes and reducing involvement in child welfare, law enforcement, foster care, and homelessness.

We stand behind the project's proposed best-practice strategies and interventions and look forward to working with Communicare in implementing strategies that reduce substance use disorders and/or co-occurring mental health disorders and improve family functioning.

We look forward to serving on the Community Advisory Board. We wish you the best of luck in your endeavors.

Respectfully,