

Recipient:

Oklahoma Children's Hospital

Project Name:

Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Training

Address:

1200 Children's Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73104

Amount Requested:

\$2,110,496

Project Explanation:

The Oklahoma Children's Hospital Behavioral Health Center will be a state-of-the-art center of excellence and regional leader in providing acute psychiatric conditions in children and adolescents. It will serve approximately 21,000 children annually across inpatient and outpatient services. While the facility is designed with safety as the key priority, this nonviolent crisis intervention training program will enable Oklahoma Children's Hospital to elevate safety to the highest level. This program will include 24 hours of training per Behavioral Health Center and Emergency Department staff member. It will teach staff to deescalate situations, therefore substantially reducing the risk of staff, patient, and visitor injury in its facility.

Training all team members in this program, rather than just those in immediate patient care, will be unique. It will further exemplify OU Children's commitment to safety and quality care in this new facility and streamline the experience from entry to the Emergency Department to discharge from the Behavioral Health Center. Given that OU Children's payer mix is approximately 70 percent Medicaid, this investment represents a good use of taxpayer dollars.

TOM COLE

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April 27, 2022

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for nonviolent crisis intervention training in Oklahoma City, OK for Fiscal Year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Oklahoma Children's Hospital, located at 1200 Children's Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73104. The funding would be used to provide training for Behavioral Health Center and Emergency Department staff members on de-escalation strategies to reduce the risk of staff, patient, and visitor injury in its facility.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

TOM COLE
Member of Congress