

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF COLLIN

Subject: Support Legislation, Resolution–Methadone Funding for LifePath – Commissioners Court

On **January 23, 2017**, the Commissioners Court of Collin County, Texas, met in **regular session** with the following members present and participating, to wit:

**Keith Self
Susan Fletcher
Cheryl Williams
Chris Hill
Duncan Webb**

**County Judge, Presiding
Commissioner, Precinct 1
Commissioner, Precinct 2
Commissioner, Precinct 3
Commissioner, Precinct 4**

During such session the court considered adoption of the following resolution to support Methadone funding for LifePath.

Whereas opiate addiction has been recognized as a crisis in the health of the nation and throughout all communities; and

Whereas the Texas Health and Human Services Commission has documented a significant number of indigent individuals in Collin County who have been receiving Medication Assisted Treatment for opiate addiction; and

Whereas the Texas Health and Human Services Commission committed one time funds to the Local Behavioral Health Authority for the continuation of this treatment (both Methadone and Suboxone) during the transition to the new authority;

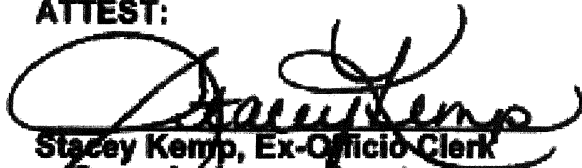
Whereas, when individuals with opiate addiction do not have access to appropriate treatment they are more likely to be involved with law enforcement and the judicial system at expense to the tax payers.

Therefore in order to protect and improve the health and safety of all Collin County residents, the Collin County Commissioners Court requests its legislative delegation to pursue continuation of those funds in the state budget for FY2018 and beyond, and to include flexibility for the Local Behavioral Health Authority to determine if methadone treatment is the most effective and cost efficient treatment option.

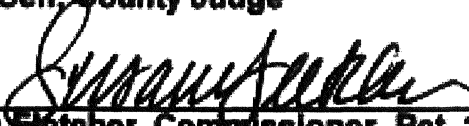
PASSED AND APPROVED this 23RD day of January, 2017.




ATTEST:


Stacey Kemp, Ex-Officio Clerk
Commissioners Court
Collin County, T E X A S


Keith Self, County Judge


Susan Fletcher, Commissioner, Pct. 1


Cheryl Williams, Commissioner, Pct. 2


Chris Hill, Commissioner, Pct. 3


Duncan Webb, Commissioner, Pct. 4