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MEMO

TO: Collin County Commissioners

FROM: Greg Willis *GW*

DATE: May 5, 2020

RE: COSSAP Grant Application

The Collin County District Attorney is requesting approval from Commissioners Court to apply for the Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Site-Based Program “COSSAP” Grant from the Department of Justice. If awarded, the grant would provide funding for the innovative District Attorney Opioid Treatment Program (DAOTP).

The DAOTP is a first of its kind District Attorney-led pretrial diversion program to address opioid use disorder in the criminal justice system. Historically, addicts charged with crimes have had limited access to treatment, especially medication-assisted-treatment (MAT) combined with cognitive behavioral interventions. The DAOTP has forged partnerships with health care and mental health providers and adult probation and has combined early intervention and screening, MAT treatment, and cognitive behavioral health therapies to provide those battling addiction the support, skills, and insight needed to break free.

This grant would begin on October 1, 2020, and run for 36 months until September 30, 2023, with no matching requirements.

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