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## EXHIBIT B

### Summit County Adult Probation Urine Drug Screen Testing Proposal

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#### Scope of Problem & Need Statement:

With the national increase in drug use specifically opiates frequent observed drug testing is a vital tool to utilize in the probation setting. According to the National Survey on Drug Use and Health, "In 2007-2008, Ohio was one of the top ten states for rates in several drug-use categories, including: past-year non-medical use of pain relievers among young adults age 18 to 25, and illicit drug dependence among young adults age 18 to 25" National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 2007-2008." With this sharp and steady increase in illicit drug use community corrections are in need of providing urine drug testing services to monitor compliance in the clients. According to a white paper published by the American Society of Addiction Medicine, community corrections should utilize frequent drug testing, which has been indicated to significantly reduce drug use, criminal recidivism and incarceration (American Society for Addiction Medicine, 2013, p. 81). The use of observed drug tests is the standard in probation and parole offices. Within the Bureau of Justice Assistance: American Probation and Parole's Association Drug Drug Testing Guidelines and Practices it states, "the collection personnel will directly and continuously observe urine passing from the offender into the specimen container" (Bureau of Justice Assistance, 1991).

#### Proposal:

In order to provide urine drug screening services to the clients of the Adult Probation Department, the department wishes to enter into a contract with a local agency that provides these services. Funding for these services will come through the Ohio Smart Grant Probation Funding initiative through the Ohio Department of Corrections and through the use of Supervision Fees. An outline of the services sought will be highlighted in the exhibits.

The Adult Probation Department researched several agencies in the local community that can provide observed urine drug screening.

#### Agency A:

**Community Health Center, Inc.**  
725 East Market St, Akron OH 44305

**Mission:** "Community Health Center is committed to enhancing the quality of life. We are a leader in providing effective services for compulsive and addictive disorders, healthcare, life skills development, prevention, housing, wellness and rehabilitation."

The Community Health Center provides Observed Urine Drug Screens on a daily basis and has hours that are flexible to meet the needs of the individuals served by the Adult Probation Department.

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The Community Health Center has the ability to test for the following substances:

- Alcohol
- Amphetamines
- Barbiturates
- Benzodiazepines
- Cocaine
- PCP
- Propoxphne
- Opiates
- Oxycodone
- Methadone Metabolites
- Marijuana
- Buprenorphine.

The Community Health Center holds several certifications for their testing services including,

- Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA)
- Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO)
- Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (ODMHAS).

### Agency B:

**Oriana House, Inc.**  
**PO Box 1501, Akron, OH 44309-1501**

**Mission:** "Oriana House provides quality and humane chemical dependency treatment and community corrections services to clients while contributing to safer communities."

Oriana House, Inc. is able to provide unobserved urine drug screens<sup>1</sup> with limited hours that are not flexible for the clientele served by the Adult Probation Department.

Oriana House, Inc. has the ability to test for the following substances:

- Marijuana
- Cocaine
- Amphetamines
- Benzodiazepines
- Barbiturates
- Opiates

Oriana House, Inc holds the following certifications for the testing services:

- Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA)

### Recommendation

It is the recommendation of the Summit County Adult Probation Department that we engage in a contract with the **Community Health Center** to provide urine drug testing for both the Opiate Unit and the General Division of the department. This is due to the fact that they are the only agency in Summit County, Ohio that provides observed Urine Drug Screens and provide the most substances tested for. It is the opinion of the Adult Probation Department the Community Health Center meets the criteria for Best Practical Source.

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<sup>1</sup> Oriana House - Programs - Summit. (n.d.). Retrieved April 20, 2015, from [http://www.orianahouse.org//programs/summit/drug\\_testing.php](http://www.orianahouse.org//programs/summit/drug_testing.php)