

Department of Children and Families
FY 2022/2023 Methadone Medication-Assisted Treatment Needs Assessment
Notice of Intended Award for St. John's County
March 5, 2025

As described in rule 65D-30.0141(1)(c)2. a., F.A.C., applications received for St. John's County were evaluated and scored by a team of external evaluators. The Department is awarding the opportunity to proceed to licensure to Metro Treatment of Florida, L.P., for one (1) opioid treatment program based on the highest total score presented below.

St. John's County Evaluation Scores				
Applicant by County	Academic	Medical	Public Policy	Total
Metro Treatment of Florida, L.P.	208	216	213	212.33
Central Florida Treatment Centers	196	205	201	200.67

Awarded applicants have the following responsibilities in rule 65D-30.0141(1)(c)2.d., F.A.C.:

- Awarded applicants must submit a letter of intent to apply for licensure to the appropriate regional office within 30 calendar days after receipt of the award notice.
- If an applicant declines an award or fails to submit the letter of intent within the specified time, the Department shall rescind the award.
- After the Department rescinds the original award for that selected area of need, the applicant with the next highest score shall receive the award.
- Awarded applicants must receive at least a probationary license within two (2) years of the published needs assessment connected to their application. See rule 65D-30.0036, F.A.C., for licensure application requirements.

NOTIFICATION OF RIGHTS UNDER CHAPTER 120, FLORIDA STATUTES

IF YOU BELIEVE THE DEPARTMENT'S DECISION IS IN ERROR, YOU MAY REQUEST AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING UNDER SECTIONS 120.569 AND 120.57, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO CONTEST THE DECISION. YOUR REQUEST FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT BY 5:00, P.M., NO LATER THAN 21 CALENDAR DAYS AFTER YOU RECEIVED NOTICE OF THE DEPARTMENT'S DECISION.

You must submit your request for an administrative hearing to the Department at the following address by mail, email, or fax:

Agency Clerk

Office of the General Counsel
Department of Children and Families
2415 North Monroe St., Ste. 400
Tallahassee, FL 32303
Phone: (850) 717-4228
Fax: (850) 922-3947
Email: Agency.Clerk@myflfamilies.com

IF YOUR REQUEST FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT BY THE ABOVE DEADLINE, YOU WILL HAVE WAIVED YOUR RIGHTS TO A HEARING AND THE DEPARTMENT'S PROPOSED ACTION WILL BE FINAL.

If you disagree with the facts stated in the Department's decision, you may request a formal administrative hearing under section 120.57(1), Florida Statutes. At a formal hearing, you may present evidence and arguments on all issues involved, and question the witnesses called by the Department.

If you do not disagree with the facts stated in the notice, you may request an informal administrative hearing under section 120.57(2), Florida Statutes. At an informal hearing, you may present your argument or a written statement for consideration by the Department.

Your request for an administrative hearing must meet the requirements of Rule 28-106.2015(5), Florida Administrative Code, depending on whether you request a formal hearing or an informal hearing. In either event, your request for an administrative hearing must:

- 1) Include a copy of the decision received from the Department;
- 2) Be prepared legibly on 8½ by 11 inch white paper or typed in a legible font, and
- 3) Include all of the following items
 - a) Your name, address, e-mail address, telephone number, and facsimile number, if any, if you are not represented by an attorney or a qualified representative;
 - b) The name, address, e-mail address, telephone number, and facsimile number of your attorney or qualified representative, if any, upon whom service of pleadings and other papers shall be made;
 - c) A statement requesting an administrative hearing identifying those material facts that are in dispute. If there are none, the petition must so indicate. (Pursuant to sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., a disputed issue of material fact entitles you to a formal

hearing; if there are no disputed issues of material fact then you are entitled to an informal hearing);

- d) A statement of when you received notice of the administrative complaint; and
- e) A statement including the file number on the administrative complaint.

Section 120.569, Florida Statutes, and rule 28-106.201(4), Florida Administrative Code, require the Department to dismiss your request for hearing if it is not in substantial compliance with the requirements above.

Mediation as described in section 120.573, Florida Statutes, is not available. However, other forms of mediation or informal dispute resolution may be available after a timely request for an administrative hearing has been received, if agreed to by all parties, and on such terms as agreed to by all parties. The right to an administrative proceeding is not affected when mediation or informal dispute resolution does not result in a settlement.