

# Alachua County, FL

# Agenda Item Summary

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## **Agenda Item Name:**

988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline Network Agreement with Vibrant Emotional Health, Inc.

#### Presenter:

Alexandra "Ali" Martinez

# **Description**:

Operating Agreement with Vibrant Emotional Health, Inc. with terms and conditions governing how the Alachua County Crisis Center will fulfill the requirements to answer calls originating from 988. There is no cost associated with the agreement.

#### **Recommended Action:**

Approve the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline Network Agreement with Vibrant Emotional Health, Inc. and authorize the Chair to execute it.

#### **Prior Board Motions:**

n/a

#### **Fiscal Note:**

There is no cost associated with the agreement.

### Strategic Guide:

Social and Economic Opportunity

#### **Background:**

Vibrant Emotional Health, Inc. administers the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline Network in accordance with the Saving Lives in America: 988 Quality and Services Plan published by United States Department of Health and Humans Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration ("SAMHSA"). The Alachua County Crisis Center is one of the original Lifeline network members and has been answering Lifeline calls prior to the establishment of 988. 988 has brought forth a number of new requirements and challenges which has resulted in a new Lifeline agreement. Vibrant Emotional Health, Inc. has worked closely with us to develop an agreement unique to Alachua County. Many of the new provisions for 988 are embodied in policies and procedures which are still being developed in close consultation with the Centers across the country.