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Agenda Item Name:

Syringe Exchange Program

Presenter:

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Description:

Sterile Needle and Syringe Exchange Program to reduce transmission of diseases

Recommended Action:

Authorize County Attorney to develop an Ordinance on the Syringe Exchange Program and present in a Public Hearing

Prior Board Motions:

11/12/2019 - Needle exchange discussion at upcoming policy meeting, in cooperation with Dept. of Health

Fiscal Consideration:

None

Background:

Florida Statutes Section 381.0038(4) providing that a county commission may authorize a sterile needle and syringe program under the provisions of a county ordinance for the free exchange of clean, unused needles and hypodermic syringes for used needles. The goal of the program is to prevent the transmission of HIV, AIDS, viral hepatitis, or other blood-borne diseases. State, county, or municipal funds cannot be used to operate an exchange program. Grants and donations from private

resources and funds may fund such programs.

In 2018, Alachua County had 157 persons living with HIV and 247 persons with Hepatitis C. The risk of transmission is likely to increase due to the rise of opioids and shared needle use.