

RESOLUTION  
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Human Services Board  
INITIATED BY

Charmian Klyve, Director  
DRAFTED BY



Human Services Board  
SUBMITTED BY

January 31, 2013  
DATE DRAFTED

Authorizing Agreement with Woodland Enhanced Health Service (WEHS) Commission

1 **WHEREAS**, under state law Rock County is required to make protective placements of individuals who  
2 are a danger to themselves or others; and,

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4 **WHEREAS**, at times some of those individuals may have complex medical conditions that are difficult  
5 to accommodate and require specialized care that may not be available within Rock County; and,

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7 **WHEREAS**, Clark County currently owns and operates a facility known as Clark County Health Care  
8 Center ("CCHCC") which, among other things, is a skilled nursing facility that has capacity to accept out-  
9 of-county placements; and,

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11 **WHEREAS**, Clark County and other counties, including Bayfield, Taylor, Rusk, Chippewa, Eau Claire,  
12 Portage, Wood, Douglas, Barron and Florence counties formed the WEHS Commission under an  
13 intergovernmental agreement and offer other Wisconsin Counties an affiliation through a Membership  
14 Agreement; and,

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16 **WHEREAS**, Rock County is currently a WEHS Associate Member but believes it is advantageous to  
17 join WEHS as a Full Commission member at a one time cost of \$5,000, in order to make sure it has  
18 options to make residential placements of Rock County citizens who have very specialized needs that  
19 can be accommodated by the CCHCC and sufficient funding exists in the crisis and other contracted  
20 services, to pay this onetime cost; and,

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22 **WHEREAS**, if Rock County becomes a full member of the WEHS Consortium, Rock County will  
23 only pay \$46.25 per day per client rather than \$92.50 per day per client.

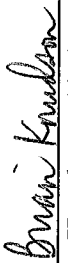
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25 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled  
26 this 13 day of February, 2014 does hereby authorize the full Commission Membership  
27 Agreement with the WEHS and directs the Rock County Human Services Board Chair to sign the  
28 document on behalf of Rock County.

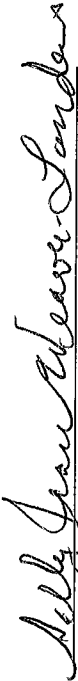
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30 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that upon execution of the full Commission Member Agreement, Rock  
31 County is authorized to expend the one time cost of \$5,000 to join the Commission as a full Commission  
32 member which enables Rock County to make placement of persons in WEHS and otherwise comply with  
33 the terms and conditions of the Commission Member Agreement.

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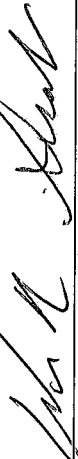
Respectfully submitted,

**HUMAN SERVICES BOARD**

  
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Brian Knudson, Chair


  
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Sally Jean Weaver-Landers, Vice Chair

  
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Terry Fell

  
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William Grahm

  
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Ashley Kleven

Absent  
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Phillip Owens

  
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Terry Thomas


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Marvin Wopat  
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Shirley Williams  
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ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended  
  
Craig Knutson  
County Administrator

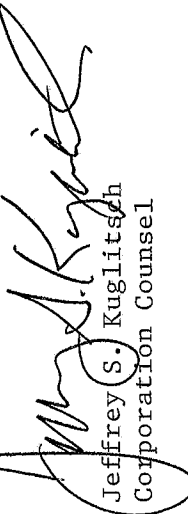
FISCAL NOTE:

This resolution authorizes Rock County to join the Woodland Enhanced Health Service Commission. There are sufficient funds in the Human Services budget to cover the onetime cost of \$5,000.

  
Sherry Oja  
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action by Wisconsin Statutes sections 46.18(15), 59.03, 59.52(2), 59.52(7) and 66.0301.

  
Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch  
Corporation Counsel

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

At present, Rock County is a member of two Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreements: Marsh Country Health Alliance and Mississippi Valley Health Services Corporation. The Agreements allow Rock County to make residential placements in either Clearview in Juneau, WI or Lakeview Health Center in La Crosse, WI. Membership gives Rock County the option to make placements as members of the Consortium for between \$45-\$50/day over and above the Medical Assistance for those skilled nursing home facilities. At times, those facilities are near capacity and a bed may not be available should Rock County be required to place an individual.

It would be advantageous for Rock County to join the Woodland Enhanced Health Services (WEHS) Commission as a regular full consortium member so that we may place Rock County residents in the Clark County Health Care Center (CCHCC) in Neillsville, WI. The CCHCC, through the WEHS, gives Rock County another placement alternative to Clearview and Lakeview and the daily rate of pay over and above the Medical Assistance daily rate is \$46.25. Under the current agreement, as a WEHS Associate Member, the daily rate is twice that amount or \$92.50/day. Furthermore, CCHCC takes more medically and behaviorally challenging individuals who are very difficult to place. This is a better alternative than inappropriately continuing an individual in one of the State Institutes at a significantly higher cost. Sufficient funding exists in the Crisis and other contracted services, to pay this onetime cost.