

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Wednesday, September 27, 2017 @ 9:00 AM

Present: **Ryan, Grant**, Kehl, Granger, Hastings, McCormick, May, Becker

Absent: King

Also Present: C. Ketchum/Board Clerk; J. Cook/Budget Officer; A. D. Berwanger/Board Chair (9:04 AM); Brick, T/Perry (9:10 AM)

Department Agenda Item	Discussion	Decision	Action
Committee Chair's Agenda			
	<i>~Nothing to Report~</i>	Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
9:00 AM Mental Health w/K. Dryja			
2017 Fall NYSAC Conf. Resolutions			
1. Resolution Calling on the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services and the Governor of the State of New York to Provide State Funding to Support the Treatment of Individuals with Substance Use Disorders Who Are Incarcerated in County Jails in Order to Help Combat the Heroin and Opioid Abuse Epidemic and Other Addictions, Save Lives, and Reduce the Rate of Recidivism	<i>Mental Health</i>	Motion: Grant Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION
2. Resolution Calling on the Office of Mental Health, the Department of Health and the Governor of the State of New York to Preserve and Maintain the Role of Children's Single Point of Access to Ensure that High-Need/High-Risk Children and Youth with Serious Emotional Disturbance and Their Families Have Timely Access to the Comprehensive Services and Supports They Need as the State Implements Medicaid Redesign for Children, Youth and Family Services	<i>Mental Health</i>	Motion: Grant Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION
3. Resolution Calling on the Governor, the Office of Mental Health and the State of New York to Provide Adequate Resources for the Local Governmental Units (LGUs) to Implement the Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) Program	<i>Mental Health</i>	Motion: Grant Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION
4. To be considered by 09-27-17 Planning Committee: Resolution Supporting Statewide Ballot Proposal Number #3 That Will Create a Land Account to Address Specific Public Health and Safety Concerns for Use by Towns, Villages, and Counties Having No Viable Alternative Other than Using Forest Preserve Land	<i>County Health Dept.;</i>	Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to: <i>Planning Committee for any action to be taken .</i>

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<p>5. Amend Resolution No. 16-457 : Authorize Chairman to sign an Amended Contract with Living Opportunities of DePaul, 2240 Old Union Rd. Cheektowaga, NY 14227 to reflect the following revisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> increase in state aid funding by \$17,000.00 for a total contract amount of \$323,965.00 / State Aid 	<p><i>This is a partial increase of the provision of 4 additional supported housing beds for Wyoming County Residents</i></p> <p><i>Paid one time per quarter...</i></p>	Motion: May Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: * RESOLUTION
<p><i>CSD K. Dryja provided an overview of the Living Opp. of DePaul contract. WNY supported housing...proposed housing project in Perry is still working on securing funds from what CSD Dryja could remember. Committee Chair Ryan suggested arranging a tour of all the mental health facilities within the county.</i></p>			
<p><i>At 9:10 AM Supervisor Brick, T/Perry entered the meeting during the below agenda item.</i></p>			
<p>6. 2017 Appropriation: To: 01.38.4325.4.42445 Supported Apartment \$17,000.00 w/01.11.4325.3490 State Aid \$17,000.00 Reason: Recording increase in state aid for supported housing(4 beds)</p>		Motion: May Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: FINANCE
<p>7. FYI:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updates to Community Services Board and Subcommittees. Resignation of David Rumsey means he will no longer be on CSB, MH Subcommittee, and ASA Subcommittee. Retirement of Kathy Bell and Rick Perez from the MH Subcommittee. 		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
<p>8. Request Permission for a Procurement Card, to be assigned to Wyoming County DCS, Kelly Dryja. This card will have a spending limit of \$500.00.</p>	<p><i>This is the same limit as was held by the previous DCS.</i></p>	Motion: Hastings Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: APPROVED
<p>9. Professional Service Contract \$5,001 or greater: Authorize Chairman to sign a contract, pursuant to General Municipal Law §104(b), with Livingston/Wyoming Arc, 18 Main Street Mt. Morris, NY 14510, for the provision of competitive employment services for the mentally ill residents of Wyoming County in an amount not to exceed \$49,787.00; effective January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018.</p>		Motion: Becker Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: * RESOLUTION
<p>10. Professional Service Contract \$5,001 or greater: Authorize Chairman to sign a contract, pursuant to General Municipal Law §104(b), with Suburban Adult Services, Inc., 960 West Maple Court Elma, NY 14059 for the provision of providing Sheltered Work activities for the MR/DD population in the southwestern part of Wyoming County.in an amount not to exceed \$39,098.00; effective January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018.</p>		Motion: Kehl Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: * RESOLUTION

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11. Professional Service Contract \$5,001 or greater: Authorize Chairman to sign a contract, pursuant to General Municipal Law §104(b), with Coordinated Care Services, Inc. (CCSI), 1099 Jay Street, Building J, Rochester, NY 14611 for the provision of staffing for various behavioral health programs in an amount not to exceed \$406,178.00; effective January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018.		Motion: McCormick Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION
12. 2018 Budget Concerns: • None		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
9:15 AM Public Health w/G. Collins, L. Paolucci, & K. Standish			
2017 Fall NYSAC Conf. Resolutions			
1. Resolution Urging New York State to Maintain the Carveout from Medicaid Managed Care for School-Based Health Centers	<i>Public Health</i> <i>PH Admin Paolucci briefly explained this resolution...it does not affect Wyo. Co. so much...</i>	Motion: Granger Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION
2. Resolution Calling on Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State Legislature to Restore Funding Support for Unattended Death Investigations	<i>Public Health</i> <i>PH Admin Paolucci briefly explained this resolution. This is super relevant as it is based on current year overdoses and the HD will be asking for an appropriation to cover ME costs.</i>	Motion: Granger Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION
<i>There was some detailed conversation regarding Wyoming County over doses and the pending opioid class action litigation. The Genesee, Orleans, Wyoming Taskforce has a data subcommittee. It was suggested that Budget Officer Cook join the group. Dispatch would be able to provide some data. Budget Officer Cook questioned if tracking expenses in preparation of a potential settlement may make sense. Supervisor Kehl, T/Attica was very vocal in his opinion of state laws protecting drug users seeking help during an over dose. Dr. Collins provided a medical perspective to the addiction crisis noting that he has many of the same concerns as Supervisor Kehl. "Narcan" parties are starting to take place according to a County Sheriff presenting at NYSAC recently. Supervisor Kehl insists that something needs to be done. Programs to keep people away from the opioid epidemic. Dr. Collins offered that other countries are taking a different approach by offering a prescription to taper off through controlled "harm reduction" programs. De-stigmatizing the issue. Several issues and several methods for cure. Thinking out of the box. PH Admin. Paolucci added that we need to be better at connecting people in crisis with services. People/parents just don't know where to go for help. Chairman Berwanger, T/Arcade shared discussions with Erie County Executive, Marc Polencarz at NYSAC regarding Wyo. Co.'s engagement of the same law firm to be part of the opioid class action litigation.</i>			
3. Resolution Calling on the Governor, the Legislature and the Department of Health to Provide Support and Financial Resources for Statewide Awareness on the Threat of Lyme Disease and Other Tick Borne Diseases	<i>Public Health</i>	Motion: Granger Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION

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5. Appropriation: To: 01.38.4010.4.40016 Internet Svc \$240.06 w/ 01.11.4010.340113 Tobacco Awareness (AUTPA) NYS increased by same Reason: Appropriate for 2 additional MIFI units at \$40.01/mo each for the remainder of 2017, paid by approved NYSDOH AUTPA grant.	Budget Officer Cook to review revenue account prior to Finance Committee	Motion: Kehl Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: FINANCE
6. Professional Service Contract \$5,001 or greater: Authorize Chairman and Commissioner of Health to sign a service agreement with H&H Roofing, Inc. 7430 Olean Road, #4, Holland, NY 14080 for replacement of gutters at the Health Department in an amount not to exceed \$18,960, effective upon signature through completion of the project. Quotes on file at Buildings & Grounds.	Proceeds in PH due to reimbursement opportunities. <i>Contract unavailable at committee time...</i>	Motion: Grant Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION
7. Professional Service Contract \$5,001 or greater: Authorize Chairman and Commissioner of Health to sign a contract with Freed Maxick CPA's PC, 420 Main Street, Suite 800, Buffalo, NY 14202 for the preparation of the 2016 Diagnostic & Treatment Center (AHCF) Medicaid Cost Report in an amount not to exceed \$5,700.00 plus direct expenses, effective August 1, 2017 through completion & upload of the cost report.		Motion: May Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: *RESOLUTION
8. Disposition of Fixed Assets: Declare surplus and auction one 2009 Ford Focus with 113,624 miles. Vehicle requires significant repairs for safety. Original cost \$11,740. VIN: 1FAPP34N29W193872	Will be delivered to Highway Dept. Water Enhancement grant pending for purchase of replacement vehicle.	Motion: Becker Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: APPROVED

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<p>9. FYI ~ Purchase using budgeted/approved ATUPA funds (quotes on file):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Business Furniture: 3 drawer lateral black file cabinet 42"x18"x40" \$689 		<p>Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:</p>	<p>Carried: Defeated: Referred to:</p>
<p>10. FYI ~ Purchase on State Bid using budgeted/approved Navigator grant funds, not to exceed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brite, 7647 Main Street Fishers, Victor, NY 14564 (NYS OGS: Fujitsu America, Inc. PM21110) for purchase of laptop, 5-year warranty protection and auto/air adapter \$2,884 CDW-G, 200 N. Milwaukee Ave, Vernon Hills, IL 60061 (National IPA Technology Solutions Contract 130733) for purchase of Fujitsu scanner & carrying case, wired keyboard & mouse, , HP Color LaserJet printer/hardware support/feeder/pin \$3,209.28 Dell (NYS OGS Microsoft Contract #PS67650) for purchase of VLA Office Pro Plus \$319.50 		<p>Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:</p>	<p>Carried: Defeated: Referred to:</p>
<p>11. Overnight Travel Authorization: G. Collins, Commissioner to travel to the 2017 NYSACHO 2017 Annual Public Health Leader's Summit at the 1,000 Islands Harbor Hotel, Clayton, NY from October 4 – 6, 2017. Travel by personal vehicle. Conference registration, hotel and meals from 10/4 dinner through 10/6 lunch paid by NYSACHO. Employee expenses and tolls (estimated \$100) budgeted.</p>		<p>Motion: Kehl Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King</p>	<p>Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">APPROVED</p>
<p>12. Operational Update (As Needed): <u>ADMINISTRATION:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2018 Health Department Budget changes received Genesee-Orleans-Wyoming Opioid Taskforce Meeting, Wednesday October 18th 10am-1130am at GCC. Community Foundation / Theil Trust to host the second annual Care Coordination Summit, October 5th at the Valley Chapel. Keynote speaker presenting on "Generational Poverty" Upcoming retirements (M. Eckstein 12/2017 & D. Robinson 3/2018) Opioid Forum sponsored by DiPietro, Warsaw School 9/26 – Some disappointment by the Health Department was expressed in their not being invited to participate in this event... Donated basket for ILC event (Independent Living) Meeting among agencies/departments regarding hoarding issues 		<p>Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:</p>	<p>Carried: Defeated: Referred to:</p>

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<p><u>ENVIRONMENTAL:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August Environmental Health Report • ATUPA compliance checks completed, no sales noted. Additional inspections upcoming. • NYS Dept. of Health requirement to register all cooling towers within the county. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wyoming County Cooling towers currently appear to not be registered. ○ Wyoming County needs to register that they will be monitoring in house with the appropriate certifications listed. ○ Buildings and Grounds has information and has a few options. ○ Currently Supt. Rogers is a Certified Technician. He needs Certified Applicator designation to apply chemicals. <p><u>PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING :</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Navigator 2018 Open Enrollment November 1, 2017 through January 31, 2018 • 2nd annual Breast Cancer Awareness event, sponsored in part by Senator Gallivan's office and Komen. Thursday, October 5th at 5pm at the Ag Center. <p><u>PH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS:</u></p> <p><u>MWHS:</u></p> <p><u>JAIL MEDICAL:</u></p> <p><u>CORONERS:</u> Next meeting will take place on 10/23/18.</p> <p><u>WCCHS:</u></p>			
<p>13. 2018 Budget Concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cancer Services Grant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Conf. Call w/ NYS DOH planned • Family Planning Clinic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Will not cash flow w/o grant • Navigator Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ County program has been successful 09-30-18 expiration 	<p><i>Chairman Berwanger suggested some advocacy w/ Sen. Gallivan's Office</i></p>	<p>Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:</p>	<p>Carried: Defeated: Referred to:</p>
<p>14. Class Action Lawsuit Discussion Update</p>		<p>Motion: Kehl Ayes: 8 Noes: Absent: 1 King</p>	<p>Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: 10/10/17 COW</p>

Signature of Committee Chairman: p/R. Ryan (minutes prepared by C. Ketchum).

Next Public Health Committee Meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, November 01, 2017 @ 9:00 AM.**

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NYSAC Fall Seminar
Standing Committee on Public Health and Mental Health
Resolution #1

**Resolution Urging New York State to Maintain the Carveout from Medicaid
Managed Care for School-Based Health Centers**

WHEREAS, 20 Counties and New York City operate 231 school-based health centers across the state, serving over 200,000 students; and

WHEREAS, school-based health centers provide cost-effective comprehensive primary medical care, dental, vision and mental health services at no out-of-pocket cost to all students, regardless of insurance status; and

WHEREAS, school-based health centers increase access to health care, prevent unnecessary hospitalizations, and reduce emergency room visits; and

WHEREAS, school-based health centers are a vehicle for eliminating racial and ethnic health disparities in the communities that they serve and foster health equity in low-income communities and communities of color; and

WHEREAS, the State is requiring that all School-Based Health Centers move to a mandatory Medicaid Managed Care health care delivery model as of July 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, family planning health services will remain carved out from Medicaid Managed Care, the transition to Medicaid Managed Care would force school-based health centers to submit both fee-for-service and Medicaid Managed Care claims, and significantly increase the administrative burden on providers; and

WHEREAS, school-based health centers will be forced to contract with multiple Medicaid Managed Care plans for each participating school, in addition to plans for dental and behavioral health services, which complicates the billing process and revenue streams for all providers; and

WHEREAS, Medicaid currently accounts for 89 percent of third party insurance revenue for school-based health centers statewide; and

WHEREAS, there is no guarantee that school-based health center providers will be able to negotiate payment rates from Medicaid Managed Care plans comparable with existing revenue; and

WHEREAS, the transition to Medicaid Managed Care and reduced Medicaid revenue will cause some school-based health centers to close; and

WHEREAS, a reduction in State grant funding to school-based health centers by 20 percent statewide, and over 60 percent for individual school-based health center sponsors, the transition to Medicaid Managed Care will force even more school-based health centers to close; and

WHEREAS, in the event of closure of school-based health centers, in order to ensure continued provision of health services mandated by law, counties and New York City would be required, at a substantial cost, to provide nurses and equivalent staff in every school.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) calls on the State to maintain their commitment to school-based health centers and maintain their carveout from Medicaid Managed Care; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the counties of New York State encouraging member counties to enact a similar resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that NYSAC shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, the New York State Legislature and all others deemed necessary and proper.

**Resolution Calling on Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State
Legislature to Restore Funding Support for Unattended Death
Investigations**

WHEREAS, coroners and medical examiners are county officers who make official inquiries about the cause and manner of an individual's death, especially those that occur under unnatural, unexplained, or suspicious circumstances; and

WHEREAS, coroners or medical examiners are required by law to investigate deaths by violence or accident; and

WHEREAS, coroners and medical examiners work in morgues to provide information for death reports, medical autopsies, post-mortem examinations, forensic pathology, and toxicology tests; and

WHEREAS, a coroners and medical examiners work to identify unknown or unclaimed bodies, report news of a death to the next of kin, collect and transfer personal belongings found on a body at the time of the death, as well as sign death certificates; and

WHEREAS, prior to 2011, county coroners and medical examiners were reimbursed up to 36 percent with state aid from Article 6 funding to local health departments; and

WHEREAS, in 2011, the State Budget shifted the reimbursement for medical examiners from the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) to the New York State Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) and the funding was no longer available as the state deemed this activity to be of public safety, not public health; and

WHEREAS, with the ongoing opioid and heroin epidemic, there has been a huge increase in the number of synthetic opioids and analogs that need to be tested, which places a significant work and financial burden on toxicology efforts of county medical examiner offices; and

WHEREAS, coroners and medical examiners should have a dedicated funding stream from the state to assist with the identification of real-time trends such as prescription medication and drug abuse, lethal activities, and to alert the appropriate county agencies and the public of these dangers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) calls upon Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the State Legislature to restore direct state funding for unattended death investigations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that local health departments should be funded in ways that allow for discretion and flexibility in addressing local public health priorities, such as the growing opioid and heroin epidemic; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the counties of New York State encouraging member counties to enact similar resolutions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that NYSAC shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, the New York State Legislature, the Commissioner of the Department of Health and the Commissioner of the Department of Criminal Justice Services.

Resolution Calling on the Governor, the Legislature and the Department of Health to Provide Support and Financial Resources for Statewide Awareness on the Threat of Lyme Disease and Other Tick Borne Diseases

WHEREAS, Lyme Disease is a common but frequently misunderstood illness that, if not caught early and treated properly, can cause serious health problems; and

WHEREAS, Lyme disease was first discovered in New York State on Long Island and in the Hudson Valley region. However, over recent years, the number of Lyme and tick-borne disease cases have spread to the northern and western areas of the state; and

WHEREAS, New York currently has the highest number of reported (confirmed) cases of Lyme disease in the United States; and

WHEREAS, according to the New York State Department of Health, over 95,000 cases have been confirmed in New York State since 1986, and 8,272 cases of Lyme were diagnosed in 2015; and

WHEREAS, the possibility of being bitten by a deer tick is greater during specific times of the year when ticks are most active, with young deer ticks (called nymphs) active from mid-May to mid-August and adult ticks most active from March to mid-May and from mid-August to November. Both nymphs and adults can transmit Lyme disease; and

WHEREAS, diagnosis of Lyme disease takes into account the following factors: history of possible exposure to ticks in areas where Lyme disease is known to occur; signs and symptoms of the illness; and the results of blood tests used to detect whether the patient has antibodies to Lyme disease bacteria; and

WHEREAS, while the impact of Lyme disease is widespread, a large number of cases remain unreported or undiagnosed. The Center for Disease Control (CDC), as of 2012, estimated there were nearly 30,000 new cases of Lyme disease each year, however, only 10,000 cases were actually reported; and

WHEREAS, there are more than a dozen tick-borne illnesses in the United States, in addition to Lyme disease; one tick may carry more than one disease resulting in people receiving more than one "co-infection" from a single tick bite; and

WHEREAS, in 2017 both houses of the legislature passed a resolution proclaiming May 2017 as Lyme Disease Awareness Month in the State of New York. In the Resolution, the Legislature called on the CDC to reevaluate its guidance on Lyme and other tick-borne disease, and urged the National Institute of Health, Department of

Defense, and other federal agencies to provide more funding for these diseases in light of the high number of cases found each year and NYSAC is supportive of the Resolution and increase in funding from the federal government.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the New York State Association of Counties calls on the Governor, the Legislature, and the Department of Health to provide support and financial resources for statewide awareness on the threat of Lyme Disease, and other tick-borne disease; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the counties of New York State encouraging member counties to enact similar resolutions; and

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WHEREAS, the prevention and population health activities of county health departments and New York City are essential to the overall health of the state's residents and communities, and crucial to the success of the state's Medicaid Redesign Team efforts; and

WHEREAS, unhealthy community environments lead to incidents such as the discovery of PFOA in drinking water supplies in Rensselaer County, which has presented significant disease risks to the residents of these communities; and

WHEREAS, New Yorkers can be, and have been, exposed to deadly communicable diseases such as Ebola, the harmful Zika virus, and other communicable diseases that may arrive from other nations via global travelers at any time; and

WHEREAS, stable and timely funding to support core public health services delivered by local health departments under Article 6 of the Public Health Law is necessary for the protection of all communities within New York State; and

WHEREAS, Article 6 of the Public Health Law currently provides a base grant of either a set amount or a per capita rate of local health department (LHD) expenditures on core public health services, and then State reimbursement for 36% of LHD costs beyond the base grant; and

WHEREAS, the state has reduced its annual appropriations for Article 6 Public Health spending by 40% over the last several years; and

WHEREAS, New York State does not allow local government to recover any of its necessary expenditures on fringe benefits for local health department personnel who provide core public health services mandated under Article 6; and

WHEREAS, in state fiscal year 2011-12, the State eliminated the allowance of state aid for so-called "optional services" by local health departments, such as early intervention administration, medical examiners, dental health services, some environmental health activities, certified home health agencies, and more; and

WHEREAS, the reduction and potential elimination of the revenue offset and other administrative actions leads to a reduction in the generation of fee and penalty revenue

that, in turn increases the need for local budget cuts, including staff reductions that compromise the capacity of local governments to ensure the provision of the core services necessary to protect the public's health; and

WHEREAS, New York State Department of Health (DOH) has frequently applied changing and inconsistent standards in what it allows as state aid claims; and

WHEREAS, state agency administrative reductions to Article 6 State Aid reimbursement have a negative impact on the ability of local health departments to protect the public including:

- enforcing regulations intended to reduce the incidence and risk of Legionnaire's Disease;
- eliminating the HIV/AIDS epidemic;
- preventing and controlling the spread of communicable diseases;
- responding to the current heroin and opioid epidemic;
- ensuring the safety of the food we eat, the water we drink, and the air we breathe;
- ensuring the safety of New Yorkers in camps, beaches, and other recreational venues;
- preventing major causes of death and chronic disease such as heart disease, diabetes, asthma and cancer;
- monitoring and control of insect-borne diseases such as Lyme Disease, West Nile Virus, EEE and Zika;
- monitoring and responding to international health threats and emergencies, among other public health needs; and

WHEREAS, local health departments deserve respect for their dedication to public health and their expertise in population health; and

WHEREAS, local health departments require adequate state funding as key partners of the New York State Department of Health in population health efforts to achieve statewide goals set in the New York State Prevention Agenda; and

WHEREAS, the current limits on base grants and state aid, combined with increasing administrative cuts and disallowances, are creating a cascading negative financial impact on local health departments and eroding their local public health infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, New York State has imposed a cap on property taxes that further restricts the ability of local government to fund core public health services; and

WHEREAS, more than 50 of the State's 58 local Health Departments bear responsibility for ensuring access to Early Intervention (EI) services; and

WHEREAS, the State's NYEIS system and state fiscal agency takeover have been plagued with problems resulting in increased administration costs and lower reimbursements for counties; and

WHEREAS, this additional fiscal burden for EI has a negative impact on counties' ability to provide funding for core public health services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) calls on the Governor to compensate, within the 2018-19 Executive Budget and subsequent budget years, for significant state funding cuts to local health departments since 2010 by taking the following steps in the Article 6 State Aid for General Public Health Work base grants and reimbursement rates:

1. Instruct the Division of Budget and NYSDOH to end administrative actions that will result in further erosion of state aid to local health departments;
2. Increase the base grants that ensure more of the public health services are eligible for 100 percent reimbursement of local expenditures:
 - a) Increase the base grant to Full Service LHDs (i.e. those with environmental health units) from \$650,000 to \$750,000;
 - b) Increase the base grant to Partial Service LHDs (i.e. those with environmental health units) from \$500,000 to \$550,000;
 - c) Increase the per capita rate for the largest counties from 65 cents per resident to \$1.30.
3. Increase the beyond-base-grant state aid reimbursement rate from 36% to 38%.
4. Provide 100% reimbursement for the first full year of any new and/or significantly expanded mandates emerging from law, rule or regulation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the counties of New York State encouraging member counties to enact similar resolutions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, NYSAC shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, the New York State Legislature, the New York State Department of Health, and all those deemed necessary and proper.

Resolution Calling on the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services and the Governor of the State of New York to Provide State Funding to Support the Treatment of Individuals with Substance Use Disorders Who Are Incarcerated in County Jails in Order to Help Combat the Heroin and Opioid Abuse Epidemic and Other Addictions, Save Lives, and Reduce the Rate of Recidivism

WHEREAS, the rise in heroin and prescription opioid addiction and overdose-related deaths continue to be a major epidemic across New York State; and

WHEREAS, substance use disorders, including heroin and opioid addiction, are very common among incarcerated individuals; and

WHEREAS, according to the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University, 65 percent of individuals incarcerated in jails and prisons in the U.S. meet the medical criteria for a substance use disorder and only 11 percent receive any treatment for substance abuse while incarcerated; and

WHEREAS, without access to substance use disorder treatment while incarcerated, many individuals start using drugs again immediately upon release from incarceration; and

WHEREAS, in the first two weeks after an individual with a substance use disorder is released from jail, the risk of a fatal drug overdose is much higher than at any other time, resulting in individuals dying from overdoses in high numbers after they are released from incarceration or getting re-arrested for drug-related crimes; and

WHEREAS, Article 41 of the Mental Hygiene Law charges the Local Governmental Unit (LGU) with the responsibility for the planning, development, implementation and oversight of services to individuals with mental illness, substance use disorders and developmental disabilities at the local level; and

WHEREAS, the LGU works closely with local correctional facilities, community providers and other stakeholders to improve in-jail behavioral health treatment, facilitate community linkages upon reentry, and reduce recidivism with very limited resources; and

WHEREAS, while the Office of Mental Health provides some state aid to counties for the provision of mental health services in the jails, there is no comparable funding provided by the state for incarcerated individuals with substance use disorders; and

WHEREAS, state funding is needed to help provide access to comprehensive substance use disorder services in the jails, including screening and assessment at entry, education and counseling services, peer support, medication assisted treatment, and discharge planning to continue treatment post-incarceration; and

WHEREAS, access to substance use disorder treatment in jails, especially medication assisted treatment for individuals with opioid addiction, is critical for positive post-release outcomes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the New York State Association of Counties calls on the Governor and the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services to help combat the heroin and opioid epidemic, save lives and reduce the rate of recidivism, by providing state funding for the treatment of incarcerated individuals with substance use disorders in our county jails where the money is provided directly to Local Government Units (LGUs); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the counties of New York State encouraging member counties to enact similar resolutions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the New York State Association of Counties shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, the New York State Legislature, and the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

Resolution Calling on the Office of Mental Health, the Department of Health and the Governor of the State of New York to Preserve and Maintain the Role of Children's Single Point of Access to Ensure that High-Need/High-Risk Children and Youth with Serious Emotional Disturbance and Their Families Have Timely Access to the Comprehensive Services and Supports They Need as the State Implements Medicaid Redesign for Children, Youth and Family Services

WHEREAS, Article 41 of the Mental Hygiene Law charges the Local Governmental Unit (LGU) with the responsibility for the planning, development, implementation and oversight of services to individuals with mental illness, substance use disorders and developmental disabilities at the local level; and

WHEREAS, every county and borough in New York State has a working Children's Single Point of Access (CSPOA) which is embedded in the LGU; and

WHEREAS, LGUs have developed the CSPOA system to simplify and coordinate the process of linking children and their families to the services that can assist in meeting their needs; and

WHEREAS, a CSPOA is designed to identify, screen and assign Care Coordination and Wraparound Services to eligible high-need/high-risk children and youth with a serious emotional disturbance (SED) and/or behavioral disorder and their families; and

WHEREAS, a CSPOA serves children and youth at risk and/or with history of psychiatric hospitalization or out-of-home placement, with multi-system involvement or needs, with substantial functional impairments and/or psychiatric symptoms, and an unsuccessful history of mental health treatment; and

WHEREAS, children's SPOA provides timely access to an array of intensive Office of Mental Health services and supports based on the identified service need of the youth and his/her family; and

WHEREAS, services include Home and Community Based Waiver; Health Home Care Management for children with SED; Community Residences; and Residential Treatment Facilities; and

WHEREAS, a CSPOA serves children and youth determined to have SED regardless of their health coverage and provides continuity for children and families during transitions in care; and

WHEREAS, a CSPOA is situated in the community and is positioned to provide consultation and assistance for all SED children and youth in receipt of Health Home Care Management for care planning and network navigation; and

WHEREAS, the primary goals of CSPOA include maintaining high-need/high-risk children in the community with their families, reducing out-of-home placements, facilitating the earlier return of children and youth already placed out-of-home, increasing access to community-based services, utilizing an individualized care model with strength-based approach, and assuring active parent involvement at all levels of SPOA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) calls on the Governor, the Office of Mental Health, and the Department of Health to preserve and maintain the role of Children's SPOA to ensure that high-need/high-risk children and youth with serious emotional disturbance and their families have timely access to the comprehensive services and supports they need as the state implements Medicaid Redesign for children, youth and family services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this comprehensive array of services include: Emergency and Crisis Services, Family Support, Respite Services, Outpatient Services, Community Residential Services and Inpatient Services; as the state implements the children's Health Home, the transition of behavioral health services to Medicaid Managed Care and the expansion of children's Home and Community Based Waiver Services under Medicaid Redesign; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the counties of New York State encouraging member counties to enact similar resolutions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the New York State Association of Counties shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, the New York State Legislature, the State Office of Mental Health, the State Department of Health and all others deemed necessary and proper.

Resolution Calling on the Governor, the Office of Mental Health and the State of New York to Provide Adequate Resources for the Local Governmental Units (LGUs) to Implement the Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) Program

WHEREAS, the State of New York enacted the Assisted Outpatient Treatment Law, also known as Kendra's Law, in order to create a procedure to obtain court ordered Assisted Outpatient Treatment for persons with serious mental illness to enable them to continue living safely in the community; and

WHEREAS, Local Governmental Units in the City of New York and in every county in New York State have been mandated to implement an AOT Program since the passage of Kendra's Law in November 1999; and

WHEREAS, the Local Governmental Units are responsible for operating an AOT Program, investigating potential AOT petitions, initiating and pursuing court proceedings to obtain a court order, developing the treatment plan for all persons eligible for Assisted Outpatient Treatment, and monitoring the person's compliance of such treatment plan; and

WHEREAS, the Local Governmental Units' costs associated with the administration and implementation of the AOT Program have never been fully funded by the State; and

WHEREAS, the State Aid funding for the counties which was promised at the time of passage of the AOT Law, has decreased or disappeared, leaving New York City and counties responsible for funding the major portion, if not all, of the costs of this state imposed program; and

WHEREAS, the downsizing of state hospitals, the movement of more high need/high risk individuals back into the community, and the increase in the use of the AOT Program as a discharge planning tool from State Psychiatric Centers and prisons, have created a significant increase in the number of AOT cases initiated across the state; and

WHEREAS, while the number of individuals receiving AOT has substantially increased, there has been no additional funding for the LGU to administer this program; and

WHEREAS, adequate State funding is needed to support the AOT Program including the LGU costs associated with the investigation of petitions, the development and monitoring of treatment plans, the preparation for, initiation of, and attendance at court

proceedings, and the support for the staffing of and the maintenance of the infrastructure for the program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the New York State Association of Counties calls on the Governor and the Office of Mental Health to provide Local Governmental Units with an appropriate level of State Aid funding based on the actual costs to oversee and administer the Assisted Outpatient Treatment Program across the State; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the counties of New York State encouraging member counties to enact similar resolutions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the New York State Association of Counties shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, the New York State Legislature, the State Office of Mental Health, and all others deemed necessary and proper.

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING STATEWIDE BALLOT PROPOSAL NUMBER #3 THAT
WILL CREATE A LAND ACCOUNT TO ADDRESS SPECIFIC PUBLIC HEALTH
AND SAFETY CONCERNS FOR USE BY TOWNS, VILLAGES, AND COUNTIES
HAVING NO VIABLE ALTERNATIVE OTHER THAN USING FOREST PRESERVE
LAND**

WHEREAS, The State Forest. Preserve lands, in many instances, border local and state highways where local government needs to use a portion of that land to straighten a dangerous road, replace a culvert to prevent floods, create a safer bike path, drill a water supply well or install broadband and other critical infrastructure, and

WHEREAS, The proposed Amendment will create a land account with up to 250 acres of Forest Preserve land eligible for use by towns, villages, and counties that have no viable alternative to using Forest Preserve land to address specific public health or safety concerns; and

WHEREAS, As in exchange for the land removed from the Forest Preserve, another 250 acres of land, will be added to tile Forest Preserve, subject to Legislative approval, and

WHEREAS, The proposed Amendment also will allow bicycle trails and certain public utility lines to be located within the width of specified highways that cross the Forest Preserve while minimizing removal of trees and vegetation.

WHEREAS, The State Constitution has been amended to allow such projects in the past requiring approval by two separately elected state legislatures and a statewide referendum, and

WHEREAS, There exists currently a NYS DOT Landbank for State Road projects which has a long-standing track record of success, and

WHEREAS, If approved by voters, Ballot Proposition #3 would eliminate the time-consuming and costly bureaucratic process for completing important road maintenance, utility installation and bicycle path creation projects in the Adirondacks and Catskills, a process not faced by communities in any other part of the state, and

WHEREAS, The Amendment has wide bi-partisan support from local governments, environmental protection organizations, business groups, recreational enthusiasts and others for two simple reasons: It's for the public good and it's rooted in plain old common-sense, and

WHEREAS, This Amendment represents the best possible solution to long standing or continuing issues, which local government leaders have worked for many years to resolve, and

WHEREAS, Ballot Proposal #3 warrants the support of the voters of New York State; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Wyoming County Board of Supervisors does hereby support Ballot Proposal Number #3, which is deemed critically important to our communities,

the Forest Preserve, the environment, and the People of the State of New York; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk to the Board shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, New York State Senator Patrick Gallivan, New York State Assemblyman David DiPietro, the New York State Association of Counties and all others deemed necessary and proper.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REPORT MONTH OF August 2017

Permits Issued:

Food Service	5	Recreational Campgrounds	0
Mobile Food Service	0	Children's Camp	1
Temporary Food	11	Swimming Pool	0
Mobile Home Park	3	Tanning Facility	0
Temporary Residence/Motel	0	Community Dinner Permissions	14

Rabies Program:

Animals Submitted for Testing	8	6 – Bats (All Negative), Cat – 1 (Unstable), Deer – 1(Negative)	
Human Post Exposure Shots	3	*See Below	
Animal Bite Reports Investigated	12	8 – Dogs, 4 – Cats	

Water & Sewage Program:

Misc. Programs/Items:

Property Transfer Dye Tests	31	Public Health Nuisance Complaints Investigated	6
Private Water Samples Collected	68	Regulated Facility Operations Inspections	74
Sewage Disposal Permits Issued	6	Notice of Hearing / Enforcement Proceeding Initiated	0
Public Water Samples Collected	123	Surface Water Beach Samples	2

Additional Areas of Interest:

*Three individuals started rabies post exposure shots after being exposed to feral cats. Two of the cats could not be captured for rabies testing and the other cat was shipped to Wadsworth Laboratory for rabies testing but they were unable to determine the rabies status due to decomposition of the brain tissue. This was primarily due to the delay between the animal dying and notifying our office with the bite exposure information.

During the month of August two Boil Water Orders were issued by this department:

- Children's Campground, (T) Castile, for inadequate disinfection of the potable water supply.
- Recreational Campground, (T) Pike, for inadequate disinfection of the potable water supply.

Wyoming County Fair was held during the week of August 12th – 19th. There were no major incidents to report and it operated within the guidelines issued by this department as part of the WC Public Assembly Permit and Health Department issued Agricultural Fairgrounds Permit.

August 22nd was our Seasonal Student Aide, Colin Royce, last day of work. We thank Colin for all the work he did this summer and wish him well as he returns to his college studies.

Andy Meyer of this department assisted four of our community water and two non-transient non-community water systems with their collection of disinfection by-product water samples.

Several local waterbodies experienced Blue-Green Algae (HAB) blooms. Three of these included Silver Lake, Java Lake and the pond at Camp Wyomoco. HAB Blooms, with corresponding high microcystin levels, forced the closure of the bathing beaches at Children's Camps Wyomoco and Arthur Hough. With the large blooms being observed on Silver Lake, raw and finished water samples were collected from the Village of Perry's water treatment plant and tested for microcystins. Initial testing results were in the acceptable range. Additional samples will be collected if the bloom continues near the raw water intake pipe for the plant.