

RESOLUTION NO. 07-14

PARTICIPATION OF OZAUKEE COUNTY IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF  
FAMILY CARE

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2006, Governor Doyle signed SB 653 authorizing statewide expansion of the Family Care Program; and

WHEREAS, Family Care and the Wisconsin Partnership Program will incorporate all of the home and community based Long Term Care services to frail elderly, physically disabled and developmentally disabled adults currently provided by counties under Medicaid waiver programs; and

WHEREAS, Ozaukee County has 145 Developmentally Disabled citizens and 72 Elderly and Physically Disabled citizens on waiting list and while the state has assured counties that Family Care will be for those persons who are functionally and financially eligible, and will permanently eliminate these waiting lists; and

WHEREAS, the elderly population over 65 years of age in the state of Wisconsin is projected to grow from around 720,000 in 2005 to 1,300,000 in 2030, therefore requiring a significant growth in our current wait list, and

WHEREAS, the ever increasing cost of providing and purchasing human services for the Developmentally Disabled population has increased the Ozaukee County Department of Human Services expenses from \$5,555,097 in 2002 to \$8,478,493 in 2006; and

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WHEREAS, since 2001 four of the five pilot family care counties saved an average of \$452 dollars a month per client compared to the previously administered Waiver Programs; and

WHEREAS, Ozaukee County Department of Human Services has been a member of the Family Partnership Care Management Coalition in an effort to establish a regional plan for administering long term care reform through a family care program since April of 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Family Partnership Care Management Coalition made up of the counties: Columbia, Dodge, Green Lake, Jefferson, Marquette, Ozaukee, Sauk, Sheboygan, Walworth, Washington, Waukesha and Waushara, the Care Management Organizations of: Community Care Inc., Community Living Alliance, Inc and Elder Care of Wisconsin will soon be notifying the State Department of Health and Human Services of their intent to respond to the state's request for proposals to Administer a Family Care Program and Partnership Program in the FPCMC counties; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Health and Human Services has agreed to negotiate the annual Community Aids contribution in order to allow the continued operation of all other County Department of Human Services Programs; and

WHEREAS, counties will be required to make an annual Community Aids contribution toward the expanded Long Term Care services provided locally through the regional Managed Care Organization with such local contribution being based upon each county's history of local funding for Long Term Care and also being a fixed annual amount that does not increase in future years;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors supports the State of Wisconsin's Long Term Care Reform efforts and expansion of the Family Care Program and directs Department of Human Services continued cooperation with the Family Partnership Care Management Coalition; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Human Services join with the Family Partnership Care Management Coalition and respond to a Request for Proposals to administer the Family Care and Partnership Program on behalf of citizens who are functionally and financially eligible for Long Term Care Services; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the implementation of the Family Care and Partnership Program will entail a contract for long term care services with the State of WI and the Care Management Organization that is selected for implementation; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED, that actual implementation of the Family Care and Partnership Program will require an additional resolution to approve the Human Services Department establishing a contract with Community Care Inc.( a Managed Care Organization) to provide case management services on behalf of eligible clients; and**

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Ozaukee County Administrator annually report to the full County Board of Supervisors specifying the anticipated cost savings and status on the required reduction in waiting lists as a result of implementation of Family Care and Partnership Program.

Dated at Port Washington, this 6th day of June 2007.

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