

July 9, 2015

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 10

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT, EXCEPT LEGISLATOR GRANT.
CHAIR MILLS PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following item is hereby received and filed:

a. COMM. 11E-27 (2015)
DIXON: "Letter Regarding Child Daycare Concerns"
(5-0)

2. COMM. 13E-15 (2015)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services is responsible for providing child welfare programs in Erie County, including Child Protective Services, Preventive Services and Foster Care; and

WHEREAS, due to increased caseloads, your honorable body has supported an increase in resources for this division; and

WHEREAS, the Department wishes to have these programs be process mapped and to have reports developed to better monitor work performance; and

WHEREAS, Community Connections of New York (CCNY) is a non-profit agency which provides training, evaluation and quality improvement services to government entities; and

WHEREAS, the Department now desires to contract with CCNY, at a cost not to exceed \$9,500, for process mapping in its child welfare programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Social Services and/or the County Executive are hereby authorized to enter into a contract not to exceed \$9,500 with CCNY for Professional Services; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Erie County Executive, the Commissioner of Social Services, the Erie County Comptroller, and the Director of the Division of Budget and Management.
(5-0)

3. COMM. 13E-16 (2015)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Part I of Chapter 60 of the laws of 2014, the New York State Office for the Aging (NYSOFA) is making available, to the Department of Senior Services, Direct Care Worker funding to be used solely to support salary and salary-related fringe benefit increases for direct care staff, direct support professionals, and clinical staff, for the period January 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the \$44,592 of Direct Care Worker funding for the period January 1, 2015 through March 31, 2015 and an additional, as yet undetermined, amount for the period April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016, is 100% State funded; and

WHEREAS, for the period January 1, 2015 through March 31, 2015, the funds will reimburse up to 2% of direct care worker raises or salary-related fringe benefit increases that became effective on or after January 1, 2014, with these raises then continuing to be reimbursed through March 31, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the funds will also, for the period April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016, reimburse up to 2% of direct care worker raises or salary-related fringe benefit increases that became effective on or after January 1, 2015; and

WHEREAS, to receive the Direct Care Worker funding, the department must complete a certification that requires the Erie County Legislature to approve a resolution attesting that the funding received will be used solely to support salary and salary-related fringe benefit increases for direct care staff, direct support professionals, and clinical staff; and

WHEREAS, the Department also desires to amend its agency contracts so as to provide the agencies with a portion of these Direct Care Worker funds; and

WHEREAS, a new Direct Care Worker (163DCW1516) grant, for the period January 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016 needs to be created to account for these Direct Care Worker funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the County Executive be and is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with NYSOFA to accept Direct Care Worker funding the period January 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, that all NYSOFA Direct Care Worker funding received by the Department of Senior Services for the period January 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016 be used solely to support salary and salary-related fringe benefit increases for direct care staff, direct support professionals and clinical staff, of the department and its subcontract agencies; and be it further

RESOLVED, the County Executive be and is hereby authorized to amend the Department's agency contracts, for the period January 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016, to effectuate adjusted funding levels and provide eligible agencies with a portion of these Direct Care Worker funds; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the budget for the 163DCW1516 grant, be established as follows:

Revenues		Initial Budget
Account	Description	
409000	State Aid Revenues	<u>\$44,592</u>
	Total Revenues	<u>\$44,592</u>
Appropriations		Initial Budget
Account	Description	
516010	Contract Pymts Nonprofit Purch Svcs	\$29,592
916390	ID Senior Services Grant Services	<u>\$15,000</u>
	Total Appropriations	<u>\$44,592</u>

and be it further

RESOLVED, that, the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to adjust the budget as required to comply with the NYSOFA approved funding levels; and be it further.

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the County Executive Office, the Division of Budget and Management, the Comptroller's Office and the Department of Senior Services.

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LYNNE M. DIXON
CHAIR