

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners, held at the Chippewa County Courthouse, 319 Court St., Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan on the 12th day of June, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Scott Shackleton, Jim Martin, Don McLean, Conor Egan and Robert Savoie

ABSENT: None

The following preamble and resolution was offered by CommissionerMcLean and seconded by CommissionerMartin .

RESOLUTION NO. 17-17
RESOLUTION TO PRESERVE THE PUBLIC MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM

- WHEREAS,** Michigan's public mental health system provides one of the broadest array of cutting edge, community-based mental health services and supports throughout our Upper Peninsula region; and
- WHEREAS,** Community Mental Health Service Programs (CMHSPs) were created by County Boards of Commissioners as duly authorized under 330.1205 of the Michigan Mental Health Code; and
- WHEREAS,** Five CMHSPs representing fifteen counties in the Upper Peninsula created a regional entity, NorthCare Network, to manage Medicaid specialty services as duly authorized under 330.1204b of the Michigan Mental Health Code; and
- WHEREAS,** County Boards of Commissioners across the Upper Peninsula region support the preservation of the current public mental health system delivery and management; and
- WHEREAS,** All five CMHSPs in the Upper Peninsula region (Copper Country CMH, Gogebic CMH, Hiawatha Behavioral Health, Northpointe Behavioral Health and Pathways CMH) support the preservation of the current public mental health system delivery and management; and
- WHEREAS,** Senate and House 298/234 of the Executive Budget recommendation for 2018 effectively nullifies the duly authorized actions taken by Community Mental Health Service Programs to create a regional entity under section 330.204b of the Michigan Mental Health Code; and
- WHEREAS,** Section 298/234 of the Executive Budget recommendations for 2018 have no accountability to the Upper Peninsula's fifteen County Boards of Commissioners; and
- WHEREAS,** County Boards of Commissioners across the Upper Peninsula oppose Section 298/234 of the Executive Budget recommendation for 2018 to implement health plan led pilots; and
- WHEREAS,** County Boards of Commissioners across the Upper Peninsula oppose any involvement in a pilot program in the Upper Peninsula region; and
- WHEREAS,** Section 298/234 of the Executive Budget recommendation for 2018 will result in the elimination of public specialty mental health services that are accountable to the communities of persons residing in the fifteen counties of the Upper Peninsula;
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,**
That the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners opposes Section 298/234 of the Executive Budget recommendation for 2018 and encourages the Governor, State Senate, and State House of Representatives to prevent it from becoming law.

A VOTE WAS TAKEN AS FOLLOWS

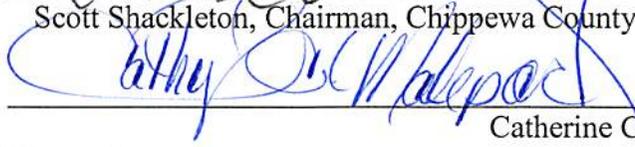
AYES: Shackleton, Martin, McLean, Egan and Savoie

NAYS: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.



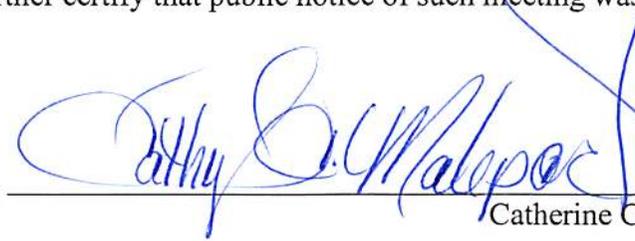
 Scott Shackleton, Chairman, Chippewa County Board of Commissioners



 Catherine C. Maleport, County Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss.
 COUNTY OF CHIPPEWA)

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the resolution adopted by the County Board of Commissioners of Chippewa County at a regular meeting held on the date first stated above, and I further certify that public notice of such meeting was given as provided by law.



 Catherine C. Maleport, County Clerk