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BAYFIELD COUNTY

Resolution

No. 2019-74

Department of Human Services
Request to Apply for a Waiver from Federal Rules
Excluding Medicaid Coverage for Institutional Stays

WHEREAS, federal rules exclude patients age 22-64 years of age from Medicaid coverage in an Institute for Mental Disease (IMD), resulting in high costs to Wisconsin counties for individuals with mental illness who require short-term placement; *and*

WHEREAS, the IMD rule can be a barrier to securing necessary health care treatment and aiding young and middle-aged adults with brain disorders on their path to recovery; *and*

WHEREAS, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has issued an invitation to states to apply for a waiver of this exclusion, allowing states to receive federal reimbursement for the cost of treatment in an IMD;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bayfield County Board of Supervisors assembled this 29th day of October 2019 urges Governor Evers and the Legislature to submit an application for a CMS waiver of the Medicaid IMD exclusion to allow federal reimbursement of short-term acute care and transition planning for persons with serious and persistent mental illness;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, once approved, the Bayfield County Clerk is directed to send a copy of the resolution to Governor Tony Evers, Senator Janet Bewley, Representative Beth Meyers, the Wisconsin County Human Services Association (WCHSA) and the Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA).

By Action of the:
Bayfield County Board of Supervisors

Dennis M. Pocernich

Dennis M. Pocernich, *Chair*

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) **ss.**
COUNTY OF BAYFIELD)

I, Scott S. Fibert, *Bayfield County Clerk*, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Volume 27, adopted by the Bayfield County Board of Supervisors at their meeting held on the 29th day of October 2019.

Scott S. Fibert

Scott S. Fibert, *Bayfield County Clerk*