

Amending The 2008 Ulster County Budget – Medicaid Regulations Audit (2005 Federal Deficit Reduction Act) – Mental Health

The Health Services Committee (Chairman R.S. Parete and Legislators Briggs, Stoeckeler, Terpening, Petit, Roberti and Ronk) offers the following:

WHEREAS, Ulster County Mental Health is a service provider that bills Medicaid for services in excess of \$5 million per year, and

WHEREAS, providers exceeding this Medicaid threshold are subject to provision of the 2005 Federal Deficit Reduction Act requiring a comprehensive Corporate Compliance plan to ensure that Medicaid services are being billed appropriately, and

WHEREAS, a comprehensive compliance plan requires a risk assessment to identify and rectify areas not in compliance, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County Mental Health has instituted Clinical Practice Standards to promote practices consistent with Medicaid regulations, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County Mental Health seeks to engage an independent auditor to provide an unbiased assessment of our compliance plan and clinical practices to identify strengths and deficiencies, to make recommendations to address areas of concern, and to develop tools to be used by the Department to conduct ongoing self assessments to ensure compliance with Medicaid requirements, and

WHEREAS, Ulster County Mental Health proposes to pay for this audit with 100% income in the form of Federal Salary Sharing dollars, and

WHEREAS, the Health Services Committee of the Legislature has reviewed said request with a majority of its members voting approval, and

WHEREAS, the Ways and Means Committee has met and reviewed said request with a majority of the members voting approval.

RESOLVED, that the 2008 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
A4-2291-4400 (App. #)	Other Fees for Professional Services	\$20,000.00
A3-2304 4490 (Rev. #)	Federal Aid, Mental Health	\$20,000.00

Resolution No. 107 April 8, 2008

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and moves its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 30 NOES: 0
(Absent: Legislators Donaldson, Gerentine and
Kraft)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$20,000.00 – ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION DOLLARS

\$20,000.00 – ADDITIONAL FEDERAL REVENUE SHARING DOLLARS

\$ 0.00 – BUDGETED COUNTY DOLLARS

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