



**MINUTES**  
**HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**Monday, April 11, 2022 at 5:30PM**  
**Live Stream Link: <https://youtu.be/f6iG2gw1ESo>**

**CALL TO ORDER:** By Hon. Elane Daly, Chair at 5:30 PM

**MEMBERS:** Legislators Christina Calarco, Michael Didio, Brian Muldrow, Heidi Nightengale (Vice Chair), Lydia Patti-Ruffini, and Robert Shea

**ABSENT:** Legislator Brian Muldrow

**OTHERS:** Chair of the Legislature David Gould and Legislators Mark Strong, Tricia Kerr and Aileen McNabb-Coleman; Kathleen Cuddy, Lauren Walsh, Christine Bianco, Brenda Wiemann, Rich Graham, Jennifer Marshall, Max Pinchak

**MINUTES TO APPROVE:** March 10, 2022 Motion by Patti-Ruffini, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nightengale. All in favor.

**APPOINTMENTS:** None

**DEPARTMENT UPDATES FOR COMMITTEE:**

**Kathleen Cuddy (Health) –**

- COVID: providing vaccination inclusive second boosters for eligible people, throughout county
  - Vaccine Clinics: routine adult and child vaccinations being performed at our Dept. Meets requirement for school readiness
  - Maternal and Child Health: working collaboratively with our hospital in furthering support for families with newborns; breast feeding
  - Environmental Health: activity picking up with summer work e.g. children's camps, waterfronts, campgrounds, and other seasonal work.
- Septic System Inspection work: 10 participants attended the new septic inspector training, 40 people completed recertification training.
- Cayuga County is recognized around NYS as the gold standard for septic inspection programs.

**Lauren Walsh (Community Services) –**

- Mobile Crisis Expansion
  - ARPA request
  - Opening to public and Substance Use Disorder (SUD) related calls mid-April
- Grant Opportunities
  - DCJS- Rural Communities of Practice Initiative Grant
  - SAMSHA- Expansion and Sustainability of the Comprehensive Community Mental Health Services for Children with Serious Emotional Disturbances
- HEALing Communities Study Update (see attached)
  - Grant timeline
  - Identify overdose trends
  - Expand Narcan distribution
  - Solidify post-overdose outreach and linkage
  - Enhance access to Medications for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD)
  - Decrease stigma around addiction

**Christine Bianco (Social Services) – No updates**

**Brenda Wiemann (Office for the Aging) –**

- OFA Office space update
- Held a joint meeting of OFA and VSA staff in March to share services information and discuss ways to collaborate
- Twenty-eight people were seen during our initial outreach efforts in Sterling and Moravia
- Highlight of OFA 2021 largest service areas:
  - over 71,000 meals were provided to almost 600 community members
  - over 1,200 individuals received NYConnects intake, screening, long term care options counseling, and eligibility assistance
  - over 900 individuals received Medicare insurance counseling

## RESOLUTIONS:

### HEALTH:

- 4-22-HH-1 Authorizing the Public Health Director to carry out a budget modification in the Health Department budget and enter contract with RMS Strategies Inc. **Motion by Calarco, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Didio. All in favor.**
- 4-22-HH-2 Authorize the Cayuga County Legislature and the Director of Public Health to create and fill a 100 % grant funded Public Health Educator position within the Health Department. **Motion by Calarco, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shea. All in favor.**
- 4-22-HH-3 **(AMENDED)** Authorizing the Cayuga County Legislature and the Public Health Director to create and fill a Women, Infants and Children Competent Professional Authority position. **Motion to amend the resolution by Patti-Ruffini, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shea. All in favor. Motion to pass the resolution as amended by Nightengale, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco. All in favor.**
- 4-22-HH-4 Authorizing the Public Health Director to carry out a budget modification in the WIC program budget. **Motion by Nightengale, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco. All in favor.**

### MENTAL HEALTH:

- 4-22-HH-5 Authorizing a transfer from the general fund to the Mental Health Department to cover psychiatric care. **Motion by Nightengale, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco. All in favor.**
- 4-22-HH-6 Authorize the Cayuga County Legislature and the Director of Community Services to create and fill the Supervising Coding and Billing Specialist at the Cayuga County Mental Health Department. **Motion by Nightengale, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco. All in favor.**

### OFA: Motion to bundle HH-7, 8, 9 and 10 by Shea, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco. All in favor.

- 4-22-HH-7 Authorizing the Chair of the Legislature and the Director of the Office for the Aging to sign agreement with Elderchoice for meal service
- 4-22-HH-8 Authorizing the Chair of the Legislature and the Director of the Office for the Aging to sign a contract with Elderchoice under funding from the Alzheimer's Association of CNY Caregiver Respite Initiative (ALZ-CSI)
- 4-22-HH-9 Authorization to fill one (1) full-time aging services assistant position in the office for the aging due to a resignation.
- 4-22-HH-10 Authorizing the Chair of the Legislature and the Director of the Cayuga County Office for the Aging to sign an agreement with iCircle Services of the Finger Lakes, Inc. for meal service through the Cayuga County Office for Aging Senior Nutrition Program

### ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Shea, 2<sup>nd</sup> Didio. All in favor.

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