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DATE: May 13, 2014

TO: Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Sherlita Amler, M.D.
Acting Commissioner, Department of Community Mental Health

RE: Authority for the County to enter into an agreement with the State of New York that will require the performance of certain Medicaid administrative activities by various parties, including the County, and define the terms under which the County will receive Medicaid reimbursement for such activities.

Authority is respectfully requested from your Honorable Board for the County of Westchester (the "County") to enter into an agreement (the "Agreement") with the State of New York that will require the performance of certain Medicaid administrative activities by the County, as a 'Local Governmental Unit' ("LGU"); the New York State Department of Health ("DOH"); the New York State Office of Mental Health ("OMH"); the New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services ("OASAS"); and the New York State Office for People With Developmental Disabilities ("OPWDD"). In addition, the Agreement will define the terms under which the County will receive Medicaid reimbursement for Medicaid administrative activities. The Agreement will be for a term commencing April 1, 2014 and continuing through March 31, 2019 or until any changes occur that DOH determines to warrant amendments to the Agreement or a new agreement.

Recently, OMH informed the County that the State of New York would, through the proposed Agreement, be implementing a new claiming process for reimbursement for Medicaid administrative activities, as well as requiring the performance of certain related activities by the County, DOH, OMH, OASAS, and OPWDD. The County has been advised that, in order for the County to continue to be eligible to be reimbursed for Medicaid administrative activities, it will have to execute the proposed Agreement.

The proposed Agreement will serve a public purpose by facilitating the County's continued eligibility to be reimbursed for Medicaid administrative activities.

The goal and objective of the proposed Agreement is to facilitate the County's continued eligibility to be reimbursed for Medicaid administrative activities.

The goal and objective of the proposed Agreement is in the best interests of the County in

terms of fiscal responsibility, as the County's continued eligibility to be reimbursed for Medicaid administrative activities will ensure that the County will continue to have non-County funds available to pay for such activities.

The goal and objective of the proposed Agreement will be tracked and monitored by the staff of the Department of Community Mental Health.

I respectfully recommend the adoption of the attached resolution.

SA/TP/bdm/nn

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RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Acting Commissioner of the Department of Community Mental Health, be it hereby

RESOLVED, the County of Westchester (the "County") is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement (the "Agreement") with the State of New York that will require the performance of certain Medicaid administrative activities by the County, as a 'Local Governmental Unit' ("LGU"); the New York State Department of Health ("NYSDOH"); the New York State Office of Mental Health ("OMH"); the New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services ("OASAS"); and the New York State Office for People With Developmental Disabilities ("OPWDD"); and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Agreement will also define the terms under which the County will receive Medicaid reimbursement for Medicaid administrative activities; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Agreement will be for a term commencing April 1, 2014 and continuing through March 31, 2019 or until any changes occur that NYSDOH determines to warrant amendments to the agreement or a new agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive or his authorized designee is authorized and empowered to execute and deliver all instruments and take all actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the purposes hereof.

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Account to be Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub Object/Rev Source	Trust Account	Dollars

Budget Funding Year(s): _____ Start Date: _____ End Date: _____
 (must match resolution)

Funding Source Tax Dollars: _____
 State Aid: _____
 \$ _____ Federal Aid: _____
 (must match resolution) Other: _____

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