

ALGER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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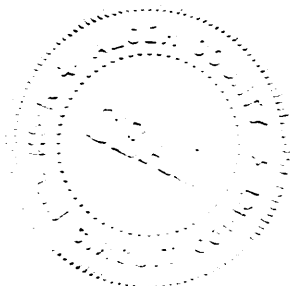
**RESOLUTION #2017-14**

**Physical and Behavioral Health Integration Policy**

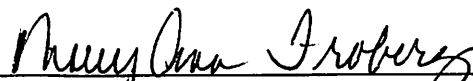
- WHEREAS, The State of Michigan is required by MCL 330.1116 "...to promote and maintain an adequate and appropriate system of community mental health services programs" and "shift primary responsibility for the direct delivery of public mental health services from the state to a community mental health services program."; and
- WHEREAS, The State of Michigan is required by MCL 330.1202 to "financially support, in accordance with chapter 3, community mental health services programs that have been established and that are administered according to the provisions of this chapter."; and
- WHEREAS, Alger, Delta, Luce & Marquette Counties established,, by enabling resolutions in 1997, Pathways Authority a community mental health authority as provided for in MCL 330.1205
- WHEREAS, Pathways Authority is required by MCL 330.1206 and 330.1208 to provide a comprehensive array of services and supports to residents of these four counties with the most severe forms of mental illness, developmental disabilities, and serious emotional disturbances; and
- WHEREAS, Pathways Authority is required by MCL 330.1222 to have a governing board of directors, representative of local communities and inclusive of persons and families receiving public mental services; and
- WHEREAS, The State of Michigan is considering Physical and Behavioral Integration policy objectives that may transfer the responsibility for the direct delivery of public mental health services to private interests with no accountability to the community mental health service programs; and
- WHEREAS, The State of Michigan is considering Physical and Behavioral Integration policy objectives that may transfer 98% of public mental health funding to private interests with no accountability to the Alger, Delta, Luce & Marquette Counties Board of Commissioners; and
- WHEREAS, The State if Michigan is considering Physical and Behavioral Health Integration policy objectives that may transfer current governmental functions in the management of public mental health services to private interests thereby severing the immunity protections afforded to community mental health services programs as governmental entities; and
- WHEREAS, The State of Michigan is considering Physical and Behavioral Health Integration policy objectives that may abrogate the consumer and community-based representation requirements for management of public mental health services for the residents of Alger, Delta, Luce & Marquette Counties; Therefore, Be It
- RESOLVED, That the Alger County Board of Commissioners urges the State of Michigan to give due consideration to the relevant state laws cited above in the development of any Physical and Behavioral Health Integration policy changes and preserve the community mental health services programs that have been duly established by county governments.

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Alger County Board of Commissioners at the Regular Board Meeting on November 20, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. pursuant to the required statutory procedures.



Respectfully submitted,

  
Mary Ann Froberg, Alger County Clerk