

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY: Your County Personnel and Human Services Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Fetal Infant Mortality rate in Berrien County is greater than the overall rate in Michigan and the Fetal Infant Mortality Review (FIMR) program is a community-based and action oriented program for the purpose of enhancing the health and wellbeing of women, infants and families; and

WHEREAS, a maternal interview is a critical component of the FIMR program; helping to increase understanding of how a wide array of social, economic, health, educational, environmental and safety issues relate to infant loss on a local level; and

WHEREAS, the Berrien County Health Department (BCHD) wishes to contract with Ms. Daphne Pontius, BSN for services to conduct maternal interviews in partnership with the FIMR program in Berrien County; and

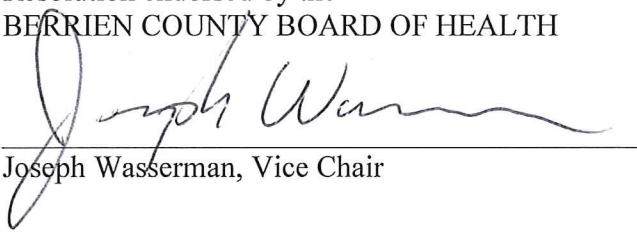
WHEREAS, the BCHD will reimburse MS. PONTIUS on a lump sum basis according to contractually designated deliverable criteria (\$100.00 per Maternal Interview, \$25 for attempted maternal interviews, and \$50.00 for attendance and participation in community-based Fetal Infant Mortality Review meetings up to 4 times per year), and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pontius will invoice BCHD outlining all deliverables achieved during the time period invoiced and payment will be made by BCHD within 30 days of receipt of said invoice. The contract is in effect beginning May 16, 2019 through September 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Health endorses the contract pending approval of its Corporate Counsel.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HERBY RESOLVED, that the Berrien County Board of Commissioners authorizes BCHD to contract with Ms. Daphne Pontius for Fetal Infant Mortality Review and Maternal Interviews.

Resolution endorsed by the
BERRIEN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH


Joseph Wasserman, Vice Chair

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,
BERRIEN COUNTY PERSONNEL AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE


William J. Chickering, Chairman


David Vollrath, Vice-Chairman

Teri Sue Freehling

RESOLUTION APPROVED AS TO FORM	
Administrator <u>W</u>	Date <u>5/2/19</u>
Comments Attached _____	
Corporate Counsel <u>2</u>	Date <u>5-8-19</u>
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