

RESOLUTION #59-2014

Resolution offered by the Board of Health

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has yet to take advantage of new federal Medicaid dollars which would have improved the state’s BadgerCare program, and that these federal funds are available at any time, and upon acceptance would provide access to Badger Care to 84,000 people as estimated by the State’s Legislative Fiscal Bureau; and

WHEREAS, 19 counties have passed resolutions urging Wisconsin to utilize these federal funds, a position that has been reiterated by the Wisconsin Counties Association, and that these federal funds would help 684 -parents and childless adults in Oneida County access BadgerCare; and

WHEREAS, being underinsured and uninsured impacts County Human Services Departments because it can lead to untreated mental health or substance abuse, impacts Social Services by increasing the number of people that require services, and lack preventive health care that can lead to loss of jobs, the inability to function, loss of self-sufficiency, and impacts the health and economy of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Oneida County Board of Supervisors hereby directs the County Clerk to place the following advisory referendum question on a countywide ballot:

“Shall the next State Legislature accept available federal funds for BadgerCare to ensure that thousands of Wisconsin citizens have access to quality and affordable health coverage?”

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Oneida County legislative delegation, Governor Scott Walker, and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

Vote Required: Majority = _____ 2/3 Majority = _____ ¾ Majority = _____

The County Board has the legal authority to adopt: Yes _____ No _____ as reviewed by the Corporation Counsel, _____, Date: _____

Approved by the Board of Health this 17th day of July, 2014.

Consent Agenda Item: _____YES ___X___NO

Offered and passage moved by: _____
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_____ Ayes

_____ Nays

_____ Absent

_____ Abstain

_____ Adopted

by the County Board of Supervisors this _____ day _____, 2014.

_____ Defeated

Mary Bartelt, County Clerk

David Hintz, County Board Chair