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6.01(AM 15-29) HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT. (1)(AM 15-29) Establishment. Pursuant to §46.23, Wis. Stats., there is established a county department of human services to be known as the Washington County Human Services Department.

(2)(AM 15-29) Purpose. The intent of this section is to enable and encourage and development of a comprehensive range of human services in an integrated and efficient manner for all citizens, and to transfer the duties and powers of the Department of Social Services and the Comprehensive Community Services Agency to the Human Services Department.

(3)(AM 15-29)(AM 17-25) Human Services Board. (a) Creation. The Human Services Board is created pursuant to §46.23(4), Wis. Stats., to fulfill the duties specified in §46.23, Wis. Stats.

(b) Membership. The Human Services Board shall be composed of 7 persons of recognized ability and demonstrated interest in human services. Four Human Services Board members shall be the members of the County Board who are currently serving on the Human Services Committee. At least one member appointed to the Human Services Board shall be an individual who receives or has received human services or shall be a family member of such an individual. The remainder of the Human Services Board members shall be consumers of services or citizens-at-large. No public or private provider of services may be appointed to the Human Services Board.

(c) Appointment; Term. The County Board Chairperson shall appoint the four members from the County Board of Supervisors. The remaining appointments shall be made by the County Administrator. All appointments are subject to confirmation by the County Board and shall be for staggered 3-year terms. Vacancies for unexpired terms shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments.

(d) Removal. Any Human Services Board member may be removed from office for cause by a 2/3 vote of the County Board, on due notice in writing and hearing of the charges against the member.

(4)(AM 15-29) Powers and Duties of the Board. The Board shall have those powers and duties specified in §46.23(3)(b)2.c., §46.23(5m), §51.42, and §51.437, Wis. Stats., as amended, and State Department of Health Services rules promulgated thereunder.

6.02(AM 15-29) ADMINISTRATION OF GENERAL RELIEF (funding eliminated).

(1) (AM 15-29) The Human Services Department of Washington County shall administer all general relief within the County.

(2) (AM 15-29) As of January 1, 2010, Washington County ceased funding for all general relief programs.

Section 6.03 (Reserved)

6.04(AM 15-29) HEALTH DEPARTMENT. (1) (AM 15-29) **Establishment.** Pursuant to §251.02, Wis. Stats., there is established a Washington Ozaukee Public Health Department serving all areas of Washington and Ozaukee Counties.

(2) (AM 15-29) (AM 16-3) **Board of Health. Creation.** The Health Department shall be under the direction of a governing and policy making Board of Health with membership, appointment, powers and duties as described in the applicable sections of Ch. 251 of the Wisconsin Statutes and the Multiple County Health Department Agreement for Ozaukee and Washington Counties dated July 1, 2016. In order to be eligible to serve on the Multiple County Board of Health, a supervisor must be appointed to the Human Services Committee.

(3) (AM 15-29) **Health Department Level of Service.** The Health Department shall, at a minimum, meet the level of service requirements of §251.05(1)(a), Wis. Stats., and shall perform those additional duties as required in §251.05(3), Wis. Stats.

(a) Provide surveillance, investigation, control and prevention of communicable diseases, other disease prevention, health promotion, human health hazard control and public health nursing services.

(b) Collect, assemble, analyze and make available information on the health status of the community as needed.

(c) Develop public health policies and procedures for the community.

(d) Develop a community health improvement plan for Washington County.

(4) (AM 15-29) **County Health Officer, Appointment, Powers and Duties.** Pursuant to §251.06(4), Wis. Stats., and consistent with the Multiple County Health Department Agreement for Ozaukee and Washington Counties dated July 1, 2016, the County Board Chairperson shall appoint a local Health Officer upon recommendation of the County Administrator and the Board of Health, subject to confirmation by the County Board of Supervisors. The local Health Officer shall be known as the Director, Health Department. The Director shall:

(a) Administer the Health Department in accordance with Public Health State Statutes and Administrative Code.

(b) Enforce State public health statutes and rules.

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- (c) Enforce local public health regulations and ordinances, including Chapter 8 of the Washington County Code.
- (d) Administer all funds received for public health programs.
- (e) Appoint and supervise qualified personnel for the department pursuant to requirements of Administrative Code HFS 139 for public health professionals.
- (f) Investigate and supervise the sanitary conditions of all premises within the County.
- (g) Have access to vital records and statistics from the Register of Deeds as specified in Chapter 69 of the Wis. Stats.
- (h) Submit an annual report of department activities.
- (i) Promote the distribution of information and education as to the causes, nature and prevention of prevalent diseases, and the preservation and improvement of health.
- (j) Comply with §251.06, Wis. Stats., having at least the same Level I, II or III designation as the Health Department.

6.05(AM 15-29) SAMARITAN CAMPUS. (1) (AM 15-29)(AM 16-3) **Name.** The Samaritan Campus is comprised of the Samaritan Home, the Washington County Home established pursuant to §49.70, Wis. Stats., known as "Samaritan Health Center," a skilled nursing and Medicare certified facility and The Fields of Washington County, which is a residential care apartment complex and community based residential facility.

(2) (AM 15-29)(AM 16-3) **Board of Trustees.** The Human Services Committee shall serve as the Board of Trustees pursuant to §46.18, Wis. Stats., and 2.03(12) of this Code.

(3) (AM 15-29) **Duties.** The Human Services Committee shall manage the Samaritan Health Center and shall have such duties as may be prescribed by the Wisconsin Statutes, State administrative regulations and County Board rules and shall serve to replace the Board of Trustees.

(4) (AM 15-29) **Campus Administrator.** Pursuant to §46.19, Wis. Stats., the Committee shall appoint on recommendation of the County Administrator the Samaritan Health Center Campus Administrator. The Committee may remove the Campus Administrator for cause as provided in §17.001, Wis. Stats.

(a) The Committee shall prescribe the duties of the Campus Administrator. The Campus Administrator shall file an official bond as required by sec. 4.21 of this Code.

(b) Subject to the approval of the Committee, the Campus Administrator shall appoint and prescribe the duties of all Samaritan Health Center officers and employees, and may appoint and remove such officers and employees subject to the County personnel code and policies.

(c) The salaries of the administrative officers and employees shall be set by the County Board.

6.06 AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER BOARD. (1) **Establishment.** Pursuant to §46.283(4) and §46.82(4), Wis. Stats., there shall be established an Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC), which shall have all of the duties set forth in §46.283(4), Wis. Stats.

(2)(AM 15-29)(AM 16-3) The Human Services Committee shall consist of 4 members of the County Board and shall have jurisdiction over and govern the policies, procedures, operations and programming of the ADRC pursuant to §46.283(6)(b)1., Wis. Stats., the ADRC Board, and the Commission on Aging.

(3)(AM 15-29)(AM 16-3)(AM 17-5) **ADRC Board.** (a) Creation. There shall be created an ADRC Board, which shall have the duties set forth in §46.283(6)(b) and §46.82(4).

(b) Membership. The ADRC Board shall reflect the ethnic and economic diversity of the County, and shall consist of six (6) members. One (1) member shall be appointed from the County Board's Human Services Committee. No other member shall be an elected official or employee of Washington County. Three (3) members shall represent older adults as that term is defined in Wis. Stat. 46.82(1)(c), one (1) member shall represent a person with a physical disability, and one (1) member shall represent a person with a developmental disability. Representatives may include persons who belong to the ADRC client group or their family members, guardians, or other advocates.

(c) Appointment; Term. The County Board Chairperson shall appoint the member from the County Board's Human Services Committee. The remaining appointments shall be made by the County Administrator. All appointments are subject to confirmation by the County Board. Members shall serve for terms of 3 years, so arranged as nearly as practicable that the terms of 1/3 of the members shall expire each year and no member may serve more than 2 consecutive terms. Vacancies for unexpired terms shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments.