

**TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN:**  
Your County Administration Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, the Berrien County Trial Court/Family Division in partnership with the Berrien Mental Health Authority (i.e., Riverwood Center) continues their effort to sustain the continuum of care designed to fully address the needs of delinquent juveniles and their families being served by the Court; and

**WHEREAS**, the Functional Family Therapy (FFT) program is a nationally recognized evidence-based model designed as an intervention program that works primarily with 11 to 18-year-old youth who have been referred for behavioral or emotional problems by the juvenile justice, mental health, school or child welfare systems. FFT is a clinical and cost-effective alternative to out-of-home placements; and

**WHEREAS**, the Trial Court/Family Division is committed to allocating resources to best meet the needs of our clients in the most effective and comprehensive manner; and

**WHEREAS**, a Professional Services Agreement, has been mutually developed between the Berrien County Trial Court/Family Division and Riverwood Center to implement a coordinated service delivery model for behavioral health and case management needs; and


**WHEREAS**, the total amount of the agreement shall not exceed \$45,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the previous agreement for the above mentioned-services expired December 31, 2018; and

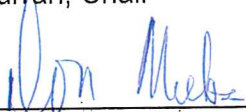
**WHEREAS**, County Corporate Counsel has reviewed and approved the proposed Professional Services Agreement.

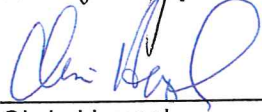
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Berrien County Board of Commissioners approves the Professional Services Agreement for sustaining the Functional Family Therapy program for the period of January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019.



**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,  
BERRIEN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

  
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Jim Curran, Chair

  
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Michael J. Majerek, Vice Chair

  
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Don Meeks

  
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Chris Heugel

<b>RESOLUTION APPROVED AS TO FORM</b>	
Administrator 	Date <u>3/28/19</u>
Comments Attached _____	
Corporate Counsel 	Date <u>4/10/19</u>
Comments Attached _____	